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MOMENTOUS EVENTS REST ON BRITAIN'S POLICY IN FAR EAST

FOUR BEGGARS FREEZE TO DEATH IN CANTON STREETS

Temperature Drops
To 44 Degrees

NEW HOSTEL TO OPEN

[From Our Own Correspondent]

Canton, To-day.

With the mercury at 44 degrees this morning, Canton is in the grip of bitter weather. The cold snap is further intensified by a strong north wind. Four beggars in the Little North district were frozen to death last night.

The poor people, such as hawkers and rickshaw coolies, are the principal sufferers. Homeless people who sleep on the side-walks at night, have given up their sties facing north and have moved to new locations with a southern exposure. The more fortunate ones secure lodgings at the public hostels below the foot of the Pearl River Bridge, where they can spend the night by paying two coppers, or two-thirds of a cent.

There are about 2,400 homeless people in Canton, while the two Government dormitories can accommodate only 400 inmates. Two more public hostels are in the course of construction and will hold a further 300.

Dealers in face cream, electric heaters, fur coats, coal, and kerosene stoves have been doing good business during the past several days. Electric radiators particularly, are in great demand.

Colder in Colony
To-day

APPRECIABLE DROP

To-day is colder than yesterday, the lowest temperature (so far) being 43.7 degrees at 7 a.m., as against 45.2 at 7 a.m. yesterday.

The following were the coldest spells during the last three days:
Tuesday 49.3
Wednesday 45.2
To-day 43.7
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WEATHER FORECAST

The anticyclone has decreased slightly in intensity, and has extended north-eastward; it now covers China, Manchuria and the adjacent seas, pressure remaining highest over the lower Yangtze valley. A typhoon or depression, is situated between Tokyo and the Bonins, moving north-eastward. The local forecast, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning is north winds, fresh; fine.

HUNDREDS FLOCK TO SHELTER

Colony's Care Of Aged
Street Sleepers

HOT BATHS AND BUNKS

Old and decrepit men, from 50 to 85 years of age, clad in dirty, worn clothing, a testimony of days spent sleeping on the pavements of Hong Kong, are flocking to the vacant St. Peter's Church, within the compound of No. 7, Police Station, which is now being used as a "Street Sleepers' Shelter."

Last evening a China Mail representative paid a visit to the shelter, where there was already a queue of aged men waiting, and hustling outside the door, struggling for admittance.
(Continued on Page 9.)



Striking Labour gains in the English municipal elections indicate a possible parliamentary victory within a year. George Lansbury, veteran Labour party chief, said the outcome of the voting proved "municipal socialism is getting a sure and firm hold on the people, who are not to be frightened by wild stories about waste and extravagance when the money, in fact, is being spent on beneficial social service."

SCOTTISH CUP

RANGERS DRAWN
AT HOME AGAINST
COWDENBEATH

ST. MIRREN HAVE
EASY GAME

DUNDEE AT HOME TO
MOTHERWELL

London, To-day.

The draw for the first round of the Scottish Cup, which takes place on January 26, has resulted in several interesting encounters.

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The following is the draw:
Partick v Stenhousemuir
Vale O'Coba v Dumbarton
Buckie Thistle v Beith
Third Lanark v Cree Town
East Stirling v Raith
Dumfries v Hamilton
Forfar v Chirnside United
Vale of Atholl v Hibernian
Celtic v Montrose
Fraserburgh v Dundee United
Falkirk v Aberdeen
Albion v Paisley Aces
Queen's Park v Alloa
East Fife v Clyde
Brechin v Leith
Peebles Rovers v St. Mirren
Rangers v Cowdenbeath
Inverness Caledonian v Clachnacuddin
King's Park v Edinburgh
St. Johnstone v Arbroath
Hearts v Solway Star
Ayr v Queen's Park
Morton v Boness
Glasgow v Kilmarnock
St. Bernard's v Airdrieonians
Berwick Rangers v Rosyth Dockyard
Recreation
Dundee v Motherwell. — Reuter.

COUNTY RUGBY SERIES

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MIDDLESEX BEAT SUSSEX

London, To-day.

In the County Rugby Championship yesterday, the Eastern Counties narrowly defeated Hampshire by 3 points to nil at Bournemouth, while Middlesex easily accounted for Sussex at Hastings by 19 points to nil. At Woolwich, the Army won a narrow victory over the Combined Royal Military Academy, and the Royal Military College fifteen by 6 points to nil. — Reuter.

LORD LOTHIAN ISSUES NEW WARNING

TREATY DENUNCIATION
BY JAPAN DANGER

PACIFIC NEUTRALITY MUST BE
VINDICATED

London, To-day.

"We are approaching the most critical stage in world history. The most far reaching consequences will turn on the policy which the British Government pursues in the Far East in the next three to six months," declared Lord Lothian, in the House of Lords, yesterday.

"We can no longer doubt that one of the parties to the Washington Treaty intends to denounce it before the end of the year.

"If Britain stands for the principles of the Treaty, we have behind us the United States, though I would much like to ask how far America means to go to make these principles effective, also Russia and China, who relies on support from Great Britain more than from any other country, together with the other signatories.

"IF THE POWER FOR DIPLOMACY SUCCEEDS IN THE FAR EAST," HE CONTINUED, "AND THE NATION CAN TEAR UP THE TREATY, IT IS POSSIBLE THAT ANOTHER NATION MAY TEAR UP THE VERSAILLES TREATY, AND YOU HAVE THE WORLD LINED UP FOR A FRESH WORLD WAR."

JAPAN PREPARED TO
HALVE HER NAVY

IF EMPIRE AND U.S.
FOLLOW SUIT

SAITO'S DECLARATION

Boston, To-day.

"Japan is prepared to strike off half her navy if the British Empire and the United States will follow suit," declared Mr. Hiroshi Saito, Japanese ambassador to Washington, in a speech at a dinner given in his honour by the Japan Society. Referring to the proposed termination of the Washington Treaty, he said that Japan was not expecting an era governed by no treaty, but earnestly desired a better international agreement on a more rational basis.

Japan, he continued, was in no way challenging competitive naval building. She desired a drastic reduction, and was somewhat bewildered when views were expressed that Britain and the United States would build five ships to Japan's three. Japan never said that she would build one ship, much less three. — Reuter.

Hollywood Divorce

JEAN HARLOW AGAIN
IN LIMELIGHT

"Husband's Cruelty"

Los Angeles, To-day.

The original "platinum blonde" of the screen, Jean Harlow, has filed a divorce suit on the ground of cruelty by her husband, Hal Rosson, a Hollywood camera-man, whom she married in September, 1933, following the suicide of her second husband, Paul Bern. Miss Harlow and her present husband separated seven months after their marriage. — Reuter.

Miss Harlow, it is reported, will not marry again while she is in films.

"And, the 28-year-old heroine of three matrimonial ventures, told an interviewer, 'I shall stay in films as long as the films want me.'"
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Dr. Hugo Eckener, Germany's pioneer in dirigible transportation, is pictured in Washington as he testified before the Federal Aviation Commission. The dirigible expert, who came to the United States to plead for the co-operation of the United States in the future development of lighter-than-air craft, scoffed at the delay in launching a transatlantic dirigible line.

EUROPE'S MONEY MUDDLE CRITICAL SITUATION IN ITALY AND BELGIUM

The virtual nationalisation of banking in Germany, necessitated by the subsidisation of business, is especially significant in view of similar moves which have been made in Washington, state a special Washington wire to Messrs S. E. Levy and Company.

APPROPRIATION FOR JAPANESE RELIEF PURPOSES

DIET DISSOLUTION
PREFERRED BY
CABINET

180,000,000 YEN FOR NEXT
2 YEARS TOO HIGH

Tokyo, To-day.

The Japanese Cabinet held a special session this morning to consider the policy to be pursued to meet the bombshell exploded in the Diet last night when a member of the Seiyukai Party introduced an urgent motion demanding an additional 180,000,000 yen for relief purposes in the next two years, otherwise the Diet will suspend discussion on the Budget. The Cabinet decided to prefer to dissolve the Diet rather than to agree to this huge additional appropriation which would seriously upset next year's financial programme.

As the Seiyukai Party do not want dissolution, however, a compromise is probable. — Reuter.

MONLIN CHIANG FOR PHILIPPINES

To Attend Educational
Conference

Peiping, To-day.

Dr. Monlin Chiang, Chancellor of the National University of Peiping, appointed by the Ministry of Education to represent China at the Far Eastern Educational Conference to be held in Manila about the middle of next month under the auspices of the University of the Philippines, left here to-day.

Dr. Chiang is travelling with Dr. Hermin Lin, President of the University of Shanghai, and another Chinese delegate to the conference. — Reuter.

ARMS IN CHINA

STARTLING NEW
REVELATIONS AT
SENATE ENQUIRY

SECRET SHIPMENTS
OF T.N.T.

40 TONS FOR MUKDEN IN
FALSE BOXES

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.

AT THE SENATE MUNITIONS ENQUIRY YESTERDAY, MR. DU PONT DECLARED THAT THE ARMS EMBARGOES AGAINST CHINA IN 1914 AND 1928 ENABLED CHINESE WAR LORDS TO "RUN UP AND DOWN THE COUNTRY RAISING HELL" AND PREVENTED THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT FROM TAKING STEPS TO PUT DOWN INTERNAL DISORDER.

M. Gillis, Messrs. du Pont's China representative in his report for 1927, declared that the American Commercial Attaché at Peking recommended the du Pont Company to take up the embargo with the United States Department of Commerce and not with the State Department as he believed they would receive more sympathetic response from Mr. Herbert Hoover, the Secretary of Commerce.

Mr. K. V. Casey testified that the du Pont Company in 1928 shipped 40 tons of T.N.T. to China in false boxes, which reached a war lord at Mukden. — Reuter.

66 EXECUTIONS IN SOVIET

"Preparing Acts Of
Terrorism"

PROPERTY CONFISCATED

Moscow, To-day.

Sixty-six persons have been executed in the past week for counter-revolutionary activities.

The 66 executed comprise 37 persons sentenced to death on December 1 by a court sitting in camera at Leningrad on a charge of preparing acts of terrorism against Soviet officials, and 29 persons sentenced to death by the Supreme Military Court at Moscow on December 1 on similar charges.

The property of the executed persons has been confiscated. Five other accused are being further examined. — Reuter.

RELIEF ROLLS IN AMERICA

37,600 Families More
Than In September

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL

Washington, To-day.

The Federal Emergency Relief Administration states that 4,082,000 families, estimated at 21,869,000 individuals were on the relief rolls in October, as compared 3,010,516 families in October last year.

This is an increase of 37,600 families since September. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

CHINESE BUTCHER CRUSHED TO DEATH BY LORRY

Cheung Ting Man, driver of lorry No. 2415, in a report to the Police yesterday, stated that while he was driving at Matankok last night, a Chinese male, Wong Mui 85 years, a hawker of No. 86 Shanghai Street attempted to board his lorry and was crushed against the wall. Wong Mui was rushed to the Kowloon Hospital, but died at 8.15 p.m.

MAIL SCHEDULES

The Postmaster General announces that as from 1st November the Parcel Post rates to the United Kingdom will be reduced to:

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Pres. Polk Dec. 7
Tatsumi Maru Dec. 7
Noshima Maru Dec. 7
Anyo Maru Dec. 10
Pres. Cleveland Dec. 10
Malacca Maru Dec. 14

FROM U.S.A.

Emp. of Canada Dec. 7
Pres. Polk Dec. 7
Pres. Cleveland Dec. 10

FROM MANILA

General Lee Dec. 7
Pres. Grant Dec. 7
Changto Dec. 11

FROM SHANGHAI

Emp. of Canada Dec. 7
Kashima Maru Dec. 7
Pres. Polk Dec. 7
Soudan Dec. 7
Tatsumi Maru Dec. 7
Pres. Cleveland Dec. 10

FROM STRAITS & INDIA

Sawa Maru Dec. 8
Santhia Dec. 11

FOR AUSTRALIA

Changto Dec. 11

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR EUROPE

Pres. Grant (via Siberia) Dec. 7
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FOR SHANGHAI

General Lee Dec. 7
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FOR JAPAN

General Lee Dec. 7
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FOR AMERICA

General Lee Dec. 7
Pres. Grant Dec. 7

FOR STRAITS & INDIA

Takada Dec. 7
Takada Dec. 7
Kumsang Dec. 8
Soudan Dec. 8
Kashima Maru Dec. 8

FOR AUSTRALIA

Sydney Maru (Duo Brisbane) Dec. 6

FOR MANILA

Emp. of Canada Dec. 7
Pres. Polk Dec. 7

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The Woman's Page

'Vanity And Excess Of Women's Apparel'



Are We Extravagant

We speak about the extravagant dress of to-day, meaning its extremeness; but (as an historian on the staff of the British Museum points out) extravagant in the sense of expensive it can hardly be called—partly, said he, "because there is not so much of it as there used to be!"

"I see that Germany is trying to cut out flounces and frills even from present-day women's dress, to economise material. That will be difficult. Such laws have always failed." They failed conspicuously in England in the reign of good Queen Bess, when men were as gaily dressed as women.

"Vanity And Excess" What was called in one document the "mingle-mangle of apparel" was vexing Authority then. "It is a small matter," stormed Philip Stubbs, "to bestow ten pounds, twenty pounds, yes a hundred pounds on one pair of breeches (God be merciful to us)." And money was worth much more then than now.

In that reign law after law was passed against the 'vanity and excess of woman's apparel' for the most part in vain; and then when Elizabeth died her wardrobe was found to have in it a thousand gowns!

"Much earlier, in the reign of Richard II," said the historian, "no man lower in rank than a baronet was allowed to don long fantastic sleeves."

"In the next reign the 'excessive and inordinate apparel' of the subject was even said to threaten the destruction of the realm."

NEEDLEWORK NOTIONS

A simple and easily made tablecloth seen on a refectory table at breakfast in a country cottage is composed of nine squares of holland material fagot-stitched together in thick, brightly coloured cotton embroidery thread.

For a child's bedroom, an attractive set is made of white organdi, edged with pink or blue organdi and ornamented with aeroplane, train, or boat designs. The set comprises three envelope-shaped cases—a large one for pyjamas, a rectangular one for brush and comb, and a square one for handkerchiefs.

RIBBON SANDWICHES

A loaf of bread cut into four long slices may have three different kinds of filling, such as pimiento cream cheese spread, chopped watercress held together with mayonnaise, and yolks of hard-boiled eggs mixed with mayonnaise. The layers are put together firmly, rolled in waxed paper and stored in the refrigerator until wanted; when it is sliced into ribbon sandwiches.

turned up slightly on the left side of the narrow brim in front with two simple little swirls of green and great pigeon feathers.

Jane Balchot makes a toque in red velvet of two shades and trimmed at the side with two small black pompons. The shape of this model is quite candy-box round, and about three inches deep.

WOMEN THROUGH WOMEN'S EYES

A man's estimate of women, as judged by women writers, is the theme of the following extracts from recent novels:

Mary F. Codd in "Nephew-in-Law" (Hutchinson 7s. 6d.):

"A pretty woman who had no use for philandering was something entirely outside his experience and therefore to be resented."

Nina Bradshaw in "The Way to Conquest" (Mills and Boon, 7s. 6d.):

"Men, as you know always come to grief in judging a woman's character."

Eileen Bigland in "Doctor's Child" (Barker, 7s. 6d.):

"He detested unpunctuality—especially in women."

Florence B. Alcock in "Equality" (Trotter, 7s. 6d.):

"She's a sweet lady. . . . I'm afraid I have a leaning towards the effeminate woman."

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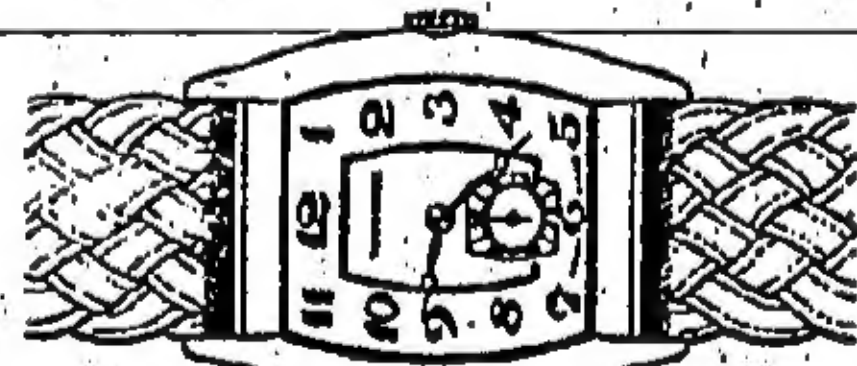
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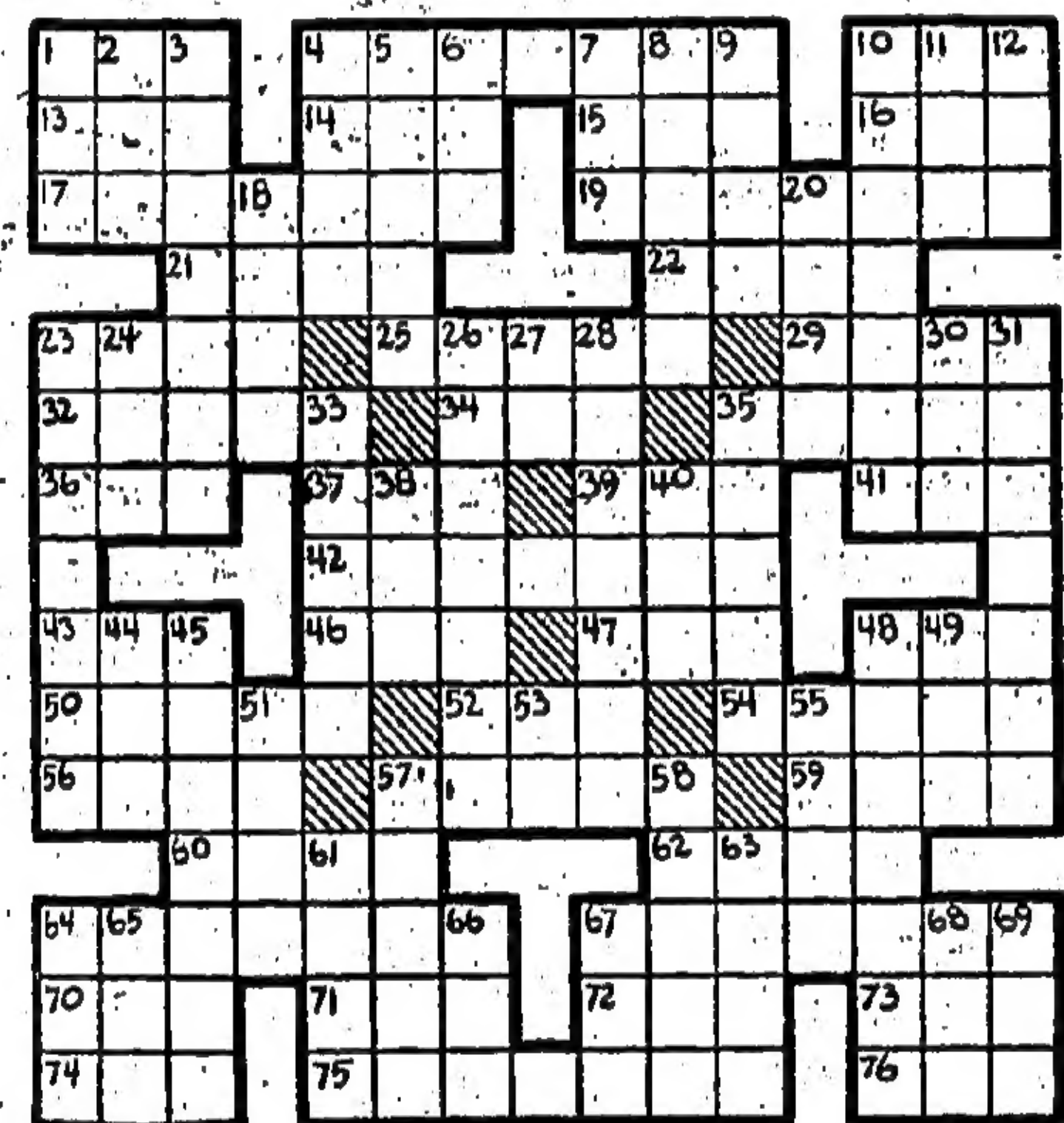
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

1-Mongrel dog
4-Chatted
10-Not many
13-Before
14-Man's name (short)
15-Unit
16-Girl's name
17-Penetrated
18-A liquid measure (pl.)
21-Rave
22-To furnish with a ceiling
23-Wild animal
25-Pleasure
28-River in Egypt
32-Rub out
34-Girl's name
35-Rain
36-Email rug
37-An alcoholic beverage
38-Imperial Service Order (abbr.)
41-Secured
42-Rate
43-Sailor (colloq.)
45-Point of compass (abbr.)
47-Suffix used to denote condition
48-Pref. A form of Pro
49-Chocose

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

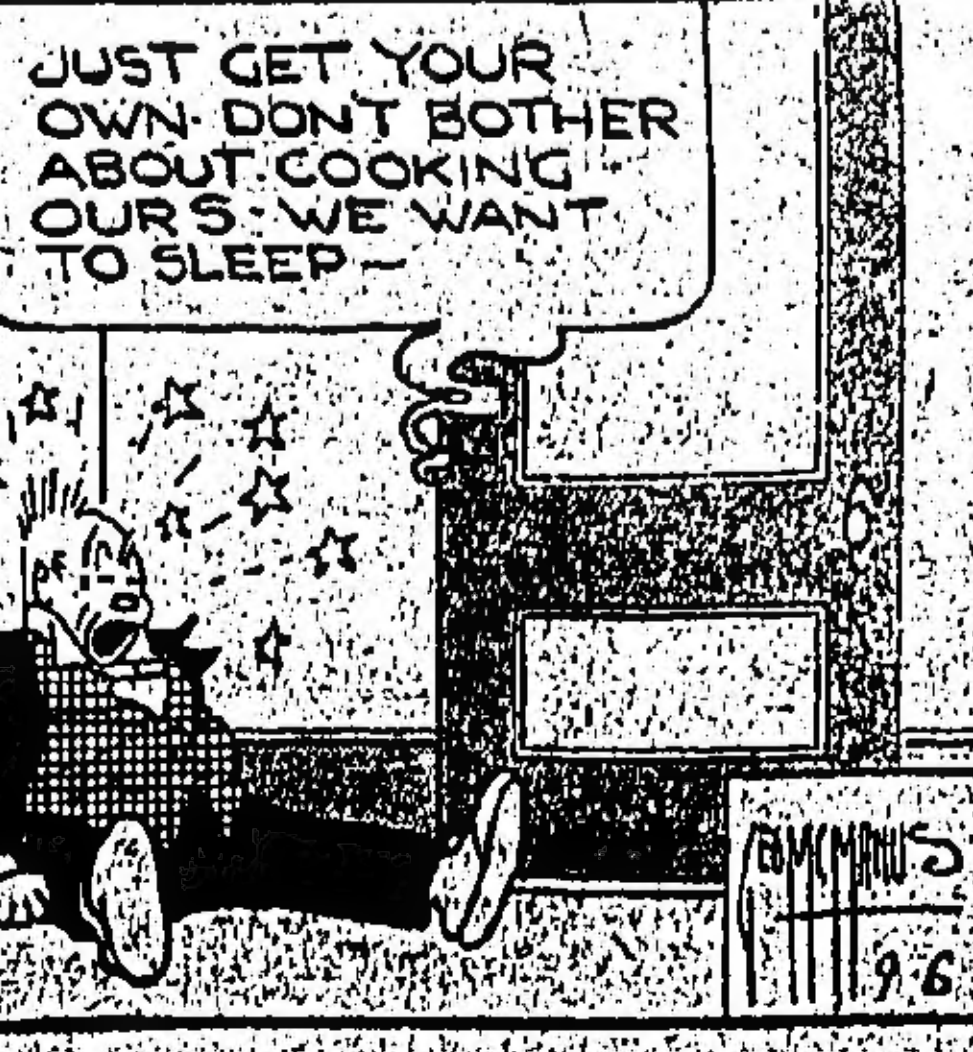
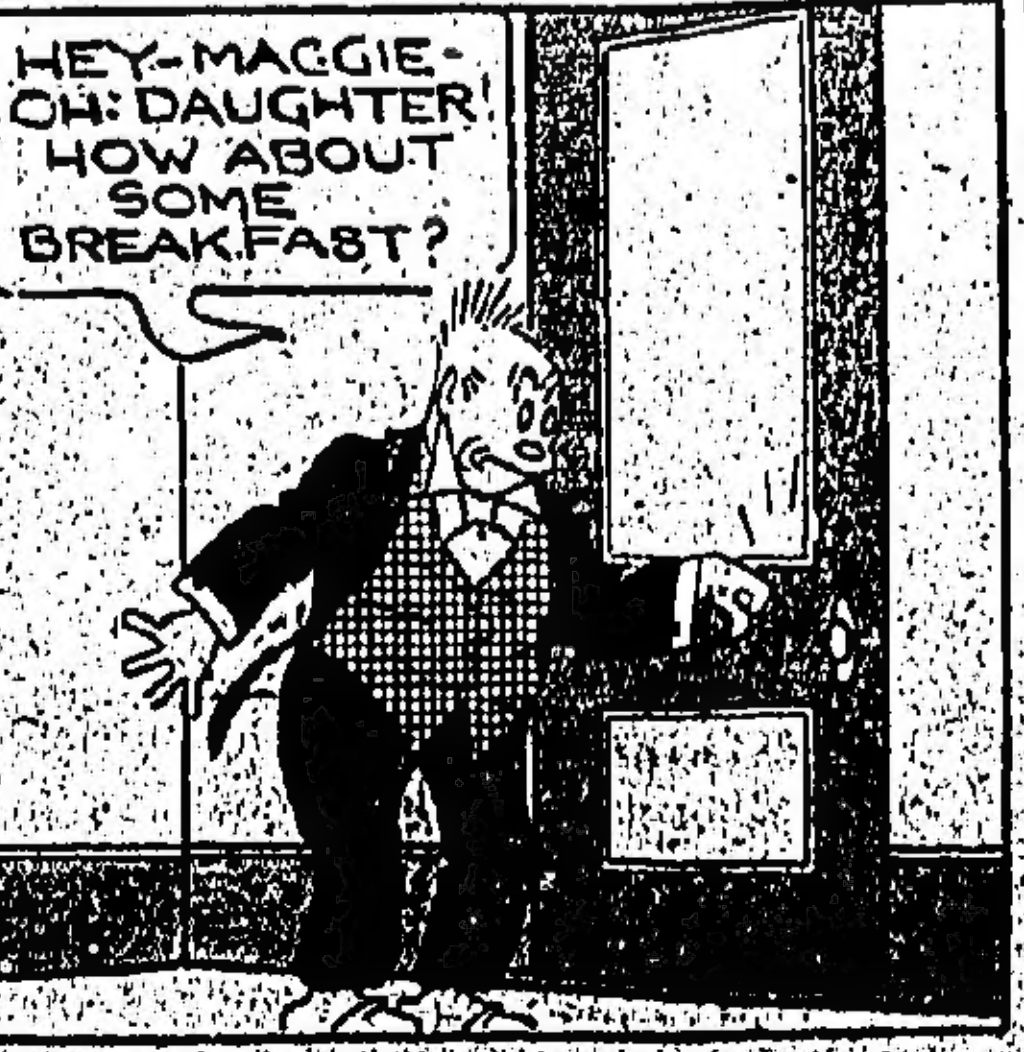
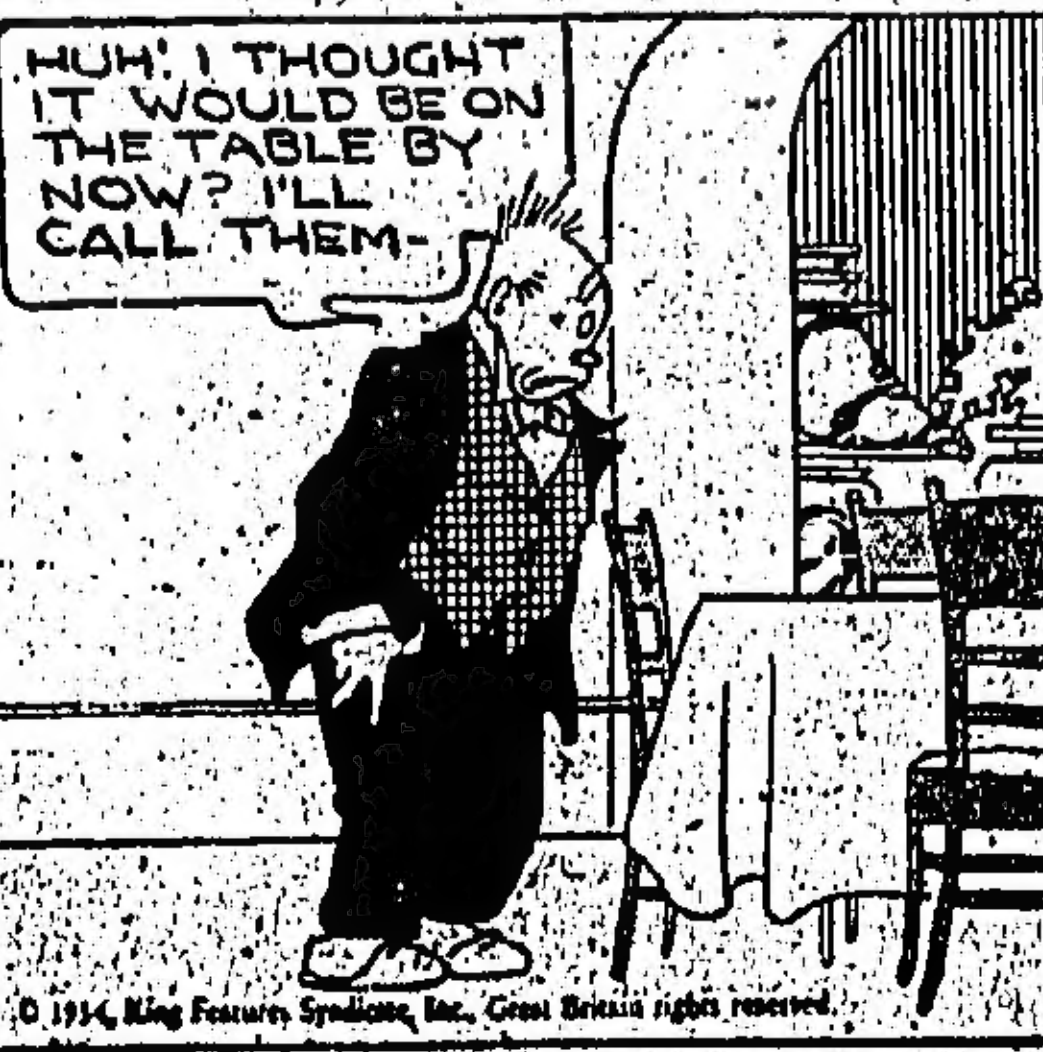
52-Roe (Scot.)
54-Heard
56-Darling
57-Farmer Russian title (pl.)
59-A garden tool (pl.)
60-Bargain
62-Couple
64-Bravery
67-Barrel-like
70-Eternity
71-Nights (abbr.)
72-Decay
73-Sister (short)
74-Footlike organ
75-Substance used to contract pupil of eye
76-Three (Ital.)

VERTICAL

1-A letter
2-Vase with a foot
3-Retire
4-Farm building
5-Heaps
6-Article of furniture
7-Rough piece of lumber
8-Perform
9-Take out (Print)
10-Showering folly
11-Eagle

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

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MAKING BEST BID

by Ely Culbertson.

If a vulnerable player decides to overcall an Opening Pre-emptive bid, he should stop, look and listen and make the best call available rather than the worst; otherwise, the price he is apt to pay for his foolishness may be simply stupendous.

Recently in a Rubber game, in which I must admit the world's highest ranking players did not participate, I saw a hand dealt and played which resulted in one of the most stupendous swings that I have ever witnessed at the Bridge table.

The North player had three possible choices—to pass (which would be the course of conservatism), to gamble on bidding one of his four-card suits at the range of five, or to make a Forcing Overcall and play the hand in the best suit his partner held. Obviously, there is much to be said for the first line of action, and some strong argument for the third line, but for North to make an Overcall in any suit with his holding is the sheerest kind of leap in the dark.

If he bids five clubs, for instance, and an opponent doubles, is he then to bid five diamonds, and if that also is doubled, bid five hearts? That way, of course, lies disaster. But let me give the hand.

West, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable

North:
S—A
H—A Q J 7
D—A Q 8 2
C—10 8 4 3

West:
S—K Q 10 8 4 3 2
H—K 10 8 3 2
D—9
C—

East:
S—Q 6 5
H—9 6 5
D—8 7 5 4
C—A K 7

South:
S—J 7
H—4
D—K J 10 6
C—Q J 9 6 5 2

The bidding:
West North East South
4S. 5H. Pass Pass
Dbl. Pass Pass Pass
I have already commented on the bidding. My own opinion is that over the Pre-emptive bid North might well make the Forcing notrump Overcall—in other words, bid four notrump. True, a cautious player would pass and, as a matter of fact, West cannot make more than eight tricks and would be defeated at his contract of four.
I do not think that North can consider a Double for penalties as he does not know enough about the distribution of the hand. However, if North decides to be optimistic, the no-trump Overcall fills the need exactly.

To this bid South, whether the veriest tyro or the most seasoned expert, would respond with five clubs, and this contract can be made against any defence whether. East can cash his Ace and King of clubs, but after that there are no more tricks for the other side.

Played at five hearts doubled, North was defeated 3500 points—a swing of some 4100 points in the possible results: on the one hand, a game and rubber; on the other, such a staggering set that no subsequent luck could offset it.

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Meeting for the first time since March 4, 1933, when President Roosevelt took over the reins of the Government from the retiring President Hoover, the wives of the two men are pictured sitting together on the platform of a convention meeting of the Girl Scouts of America in Boston—left to right, Mrs. Nicholas F. Brady, chairman of the Scout Board; Mrs. Roosevelt; Mrs. Frederick Eley, National Scout President, and Mrs. Hoover, who is an executive of the Scout organization.

Amusements

Cinema Notes

"THE CRIME DOCTOR"—KING'S THEATRE

Those who are interested in the psychological aspects of crime, as well as persons who revel in detective stories will have a real treat when they see RKO-Radio's "The Crime Doctor," now at the King's Theatre.

The picture, featuring Otto Kruger, Karen Morley and Nils Asther, deals with a strange murder case, stressing particularly the heart motive for the crime and depicting the emotional upheaval which destroys the normal balance of the killer, making him a menace to society.

The crime, carefully planned and executed, proves completely mystifying to the investigators, and it is this aspect of the story which will particularly enthrall lovers of detective stories. Also, a novel twist to the climax is so handled that it comes as a complete surprise.

"SHE MADE HER BED"—QUEEN'S THEATRE

A bunch of wild animals; exciting horse races; a pitched fight between an enraged tiger and a man, a raging fire which burns down an entire camp are several of the potent elements that bring a thrilling, entertaining climax to the Paramount picture, "She Made Her Bed" at the Queen's Theatre.

The leading players are Richard Arlen, Sally Eilers, Robert Armstrong and Roscoe Ates. With Grace Bradley, Charley Grapewin and Arlen's little son, Richard, completing the supporting players. The picture concerns the hectic romance that develops between Arlen, one-man medicine show, and Sally Eilers, who is married to a brutal, selfish, amateur animal trainer.

"PRIVATE JONES"—ORIENTAL THEATRE

"Private Jones," which is now showing at the Oriental Theatre, is a film of the Great War seen through the eye of a reluctant private who has to be dragged in to join the army.

Lee Tracy, as Private Jones, is all against the War because he had nothing to do with starting it. It is a picture with plenty of good rollicking humour and amusing wisecracks. Shirley Grey and Gloria Stuart head the feminine roles.

"PILGRIMAGE"—STAR THEATRE

Starring Henrietta Crosman, Norman Foster, Marion Nixon, and Heather Angel, the Fox drama "Pilgrimage," which is now showing at the Star Theatre, is one of the most outstanding film productions.

The story revolves around the love of a mother for her son, which becomes so great that it turns into burning hatred. She sends her son to war and death to keep him from marrying the girl he loves.

In later years, however, when she sees another romance like her son's about to be shattered in the same way she devotes herself to saving the two lovers.

"THE GAMBLING LADY"—ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Spring brides who are undecided about their choice of a wedding gown would do well to see Barbara Stanwyck's latest Warner Bros. film, "Gambling Lady," now playing at the Alhambra.

Miss Stanwyck wears an Orry-Kelly design, in her latest screen marriage. Miss Stanwyck as Lady Lee is exceptionally well suited to the part. The daughter of a gambler who played straight, she pits her card sense and belief in luck against the crooked methods of the syndicate for which she works, and proves to be a lucky one for she wins a millionaire society man as a husband. The film is based on a thrillingly dramatic story by Doris Malloy and adapted to the screen by Ralph Block and Miss Malloy.

In the cast with Miss Stanwyck are Joel McCrea, Pat O'Brien, Claire Dodd, C. Aubrey Smith, Philip Reed, Robert Barrat, Philip Faversham, Arthur Vinton and others, Archie Mayo directed.

"TO THE LAST MAN"—MAJESTIC THEATRE

Randolph Scott, Esther Laiston, Buster Crabbe and Jack LaRue are starred in Zane Grey's story of the primitive American West, "To the Last Man," now showing at the Majestic Theatre.

Miss Laiston plays the role of a young Kentucky mountain girl, daughter of the last of an old feudal clan. She comes to the West with her father, seeking revenge upon his old enemy who has toured the mountains of Kentucky in an effort to end the feud between the two families. She falls in love with the eldest son of her father's enemy before she learns his identity. But it is not until the feud ends in the death of their parents, bitter enemies to the last, that the children are left free to find their own happiness.

FARMS AS HAVENS FOR JEWS

Teaching Establishments Founded

FUGITIVE COLONIES

Belgrade. Havens for Jewish fugitives fleeing from Germany to Palestine have been established in three villages where the immigrants are being taught farming.

At Golonic Mayerhof, with more than 1000 acres, one colony of fugitives has been quartered. The estate was bought for this purpose by Baron Guttman from Baron Ozeovic.

The manor house has been equipped with water and electricity, and in the surrounding buildings a smithy's stand and a bakery have been built. Only those fugitives who desire to go to Palestine are accepted on this estate where they must work one year learning farming, after which the entrance into Palestine is made easier for them.

The first organised group reached Belgrade in November of last year and left during October, having completed the training. Among them were civil service employees, merchants and college professors. They came from Hamburg, Leipzig and Berlin.

The men do farm work and the women are instructed in the things a woman must know when helping to run a farm.

Two additional colonies have been established in other areas. Additional fugitives will be given shelter at these three colonies as soon as this year's "classes" have finished their training and leave for Palestine.

RADIO TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wave length of 855 metres (845 K.C.s):—

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.
12.30-1 p.m.—Recorded Music.
1 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Recorded Music.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletins.
Rugby Press News, etc.
Recorded Programme.
A Philco Programme.
Accordian Solo—
Eel in the Sink—Irish Reel
Mare Hornpipe
Frank Murphy.

Songs—
Always in All ways
Beyond the Blue Horizon
Jeanette MacDonald (Soprano)

Waltz—
If you'll say "Yes" Charlie
Ray Noble and his Orchestra.
Raftern
Paramount Studio Orchestra
Fox Trot—
Jas Shufflin'
Signa of the Highway
Edillo Deas and his Boston Brownies

Vocal—
Baisin' the Rent
Happy as the day is long
Rox Barry and Ramona.
Songs—
Hungry Women
Makin' Whoopee
Eddie Cantor (Comedian)

Vocal Duet—
Tonight
Anna Neagle and Trevor Jones.
Orchestra—
I Love you so (Tango Serenade)
Gerardo and his Orchestra.

Vocal Duet—
Musical Comedy—Selection
Garda Hall and George Baker.
Orchestra—
"Cassa Noisette"—Suite
(Tchaikovsky)
The B.B.C. Wireless Symphony
Orchestra conducted by Percy Pitt.

1. Overture Miniature
2. Marche
3. (a) Danse Chinoise; (b) Danse Russe, Trepak.
4. (4) Danse de la fee Dragee; (b) Danse des Mirrites.
5. Danse Arabe
6. Valse des Fleurs

Children's Studio Concert
Z.E.K. Programme.
5.30 p.m.—European Programme.
5.30 p.m.—A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden.

5.30-6 p.m.—A Relay of the first part of the Concert from the Helena May Institute arranged by Mr. E. Gualdi (by courtesy of the Committee).
6-6.30 p.m.—Children's Studio Concert

6.30-7 p.m.—A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden.
7 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations, London and New York Stock & Commodity Quotations.

7.08-7.25 p.m.—Vocal Gems.
Carmen (Bizet)—Light Opera Co.
Aida (Verdi)—Grand Opera Co.
7.25-7.42 p.m.—Suite Bergamasque (Debussy)
Walter Gieseking (Pianoforte)

1. Prelude, 2. Minuet, 3. Clair de Lune.
4. Passepied.
7.42-8 p.m.—Old and New (A Potpourri of Popular Melodies) (arr. Herman Finck)—Herman Finck and his Orchestra.

8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.
8.03-10.30 p.m.—Chinese Studio Concert.

9.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletins, London 1 p.m. Stock & Commodity Quotations.
10.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletins, Rugby Mid-day Press News, Further London Stock & Commodity Quotations.

10.40 p.m.—Close Down.
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SPORTING PAGE

CLUB DEFEAT SUFFOLK BY SMALL MARGIN IN SCRAPPY RUGBY

RYDER CUP CONTEST RULE CRITICISED BAR ON COTTON IS UNFAIR VETERAN CHAMPION'S VIEWS

LONDON, NOV. 27.
A BRITISH RYDER CUP TEAM WITHOUT HENRY COTTON, THE HOLDER OF THE BRITISH OPEN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP, IS RIDICULOUS, DECLARED MR. JACOBUS, THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES PROFESSIONAL GOLFERS' ASSOCIATION, WHEN INTERVIEWED REGARDING THE INELIGIBILITY OF THE BRITON TO PLAY FOR HIS COUNTRY IN VIEW OF HIS DECISION TO RETAIN HIS CONNECTION WITH THE WATERLOO CLUB, BRUSSELS.

Mr. Jacobus suggested that the donor of the Cup, Mr. Samuel Ryder, should be approached to alter the deed of gift.

J. H. Taylor, of Royal Mid-Surrey, who has five Open Championships to his credit, gave his opinion as follows:

Fancy the open champion, who is really the world's champion, excluded from playing for his country.

"The Americans were responsible for the proviso being included in the Ryder Cup conditions, and it is the Americans who should take the initiative in having the rules revised so that Cotton and any who may be similarly situated in the future can play for Great Britain."

"It is only fair that he should be able to do so. He is English born and English taught. What better qualification could there be than that?"

"The present conditions are unfair and should be altered but I am strongly opposed to Great Britain taking the lead. That should come from America."

"They do not feel the rule so harshly as Great Britain. When the rule was made it affected Percy Alliss and Audrey Bomer, and if they had won the open championship I would say the same."

Cotton Knew Before

As against this it must be remembered that Cotton knew perfectly well what the rules concerning the Ryder Cup competition were, and if he prefers to keep his post at the Waterloo Club (which of course he is fully justified in doing), he cannot at the same time expect to compete in an international contest of this kind.

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YACHT DESIGNER HONOUR

Presented With Freedom
Of Gosport

MR. NICHOLSON SAYS IT IS TRIBUTE TO HIS FAMILY

Poole, Nov. 5.
Mr. Charles E. Nicholson, designer of Endeavour, was presented with the freedom of his native borough of Gosport. This is the first time the honour has been bestowed.

The freedom was presented by the Mayor, Ald. S. Barnard Smith. In place of the customary scroll to contain the scroll and illuminated address there was a model in silver of Mr. T. O. M. Sopwith's Endeavour, with sails set and close hauled, the vessel having a slight list to port.

Eight hundred pieces of silver were used for the model, which weighed 60oz. Some of the pieces were so tiny as to weigh a three-hundredth part of an ounce. The wire used in the rigging varies from two to seven thousandths of an inch.

Premier Yacht Building Town

At the luncheon which followed the presentation the Mayor said: "Mr. Nicholson has placed Gosport in the position of the premier yacht-building town in the country. It is not only a national but an international position and we are justly proud of it."

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Sporting Chatter

(By GEOFFREY SIMPSON)

ONE unusual phase of our argumentative cricket season was the extraordinary number of strains, bruises, breakages, and illnesses suffered by the leading performers.

At one time the casualty list was imposing enough to make even the leg theory warfare look unimportant.

There was an echo of this when C. F. Walters, one of England's opening pair, revealed that he could not travel to the West Indies with the M.C.C. team this winter.

His strained thigh muscle is still in a groggy state, and his doctor has prescribed a complete rest as the only remedy.

OUT OF LUCK

THIS is a further unlucky stroke for an unlucky cricketer.

Walters always seemed to me to be at cross purposes with Fate in his Test match innings. Time and again he would seem set for a century—and then fail surprisingly.

It will be just as well, though, for Walters to stay at home. Months of cricket in tropical weather might damage his health—and Walters is a cricketer who must be looked after.

He was suffering from strain when he played in the final Test.

SPORTING WAGER

A N old Kent Rugby player whom I met the other day has taken a bet of £20 to £1 that the Old Cranleighs will provide both Rugby half-backs for England in at least one of the internationals this winter.

He has named Alan Key and P. J. Reynolds to land him the odds. Not a bad wager, this. Key has already won his cap, and Reynolds, though he was still at school last season, has the makings of an England player.

Reynolds is a fast, resolute, and enterprising fly-half. He is so quick off the mark that he is frequently among his centres before they know it.

Key says his young partner can be "found" five yards deeper than the average player. If this is so, Kent will be making a mistake if they do not give Reynolds a good testing in the county matches.

REMOVING A MOUNTAIN

It takes a good deal of faith to remove a mountain.

In Wales they add to faith seven years' hard work and accomplish the job.

I can vouch for this story from Blean, Kent. The Rifle Green F.C. there found themselves without a playing pitch. The only possibility was the mountain side.

The permission of the local iron and coal company was obtained, voluntary work organised, and the seven-years job completed—this week.

The total cost has been less than £200, and 140,000 tons of earth have been removed.

Now the goalposts are up, the last of the 30,000 pieces of turf laid, and there is room for lawn tennis and other sport.

And all this time the football club has been kept going. It has played all its "home" matches 2½ miles away.

AMERICAN BASEBALLERS TROUNCE SHANGHAI

Shanghai, To-day.
The American "Big League" Baseball team, under Babe Ruth, fresh from their triumph in Japan—they won all 16 games—accounted for the selected Shanghai squad by 22 runs to 1 in their one and only exhibition game yesterday. —Reuter



George M. Lott, above, of Chicago, veteran Davis cup star, has left the ranks of amateur tennis and has joined his old court foe, William T. "Big Bill" Tilden, for a professional tour.

BADMINTON

Two Triumphs For Recreio

K.C.C. AND FIRE BRIGADE
SUFFER DEFEATS

The Club de Recreio recorded two victories in the Men's Doubles Badminton Leagues last night, when their Senior team overwhelmed the Kowloon Cricket Club by 9 clear sets in the "A" Division, and their junior team defeated the Fire Brigade by 7 sets to 2 in the "B" Division.

At King's Park the K.C.C. only managed to secure 37 points, of which A. Collins and C. Wigg scored 24. For the Recreio L. Carvalho and J. Remedios were the strong pair losing only eight points in all three games.

The scores were:
E. Soeza and H. Alves (Recreio) beat A. Collins and C. Wigg 21-15
beat E. Zimmermann and Warren 21-4
beat M. Politi and Simecocks 21-0
A. M. Rodrigues and M. Oliveira (Recreio) beat Collins and Wigg 21-6
beat Zimmermann and Warren 21-2
beat Politi and Simecocks 21-0
L. Carvalho and J. Remedios (Recreio) beat Collins and Wigg 21-3
beat Zimmermann and Warren 21-6
beat Politi and Simecocks 21-0
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VARSITY CRICKET MATCH DRAWN

Sayer and Stapleton
In Good Stand

The annual cricket match between teams representing Oxford and Cambridge University, which was played at the Hong Kong Cricket Club yesterday, resulted in a draw.

Oxford—190 for 4 wickets. (G. R. Sayer 53 not out, C. I. Stapleton 46 not out, L. T. Rids 37, Rev. H. W. Baines 22; McLehlan 2 for 48).

Cambridge—165 for 6 wickets. (H. G. Wallington 42, Lt. Comdr. Skyrms not out 38, D. McLehlan 29; H. W. Lee 3 for 24, L. T. Rids 1 for 9).

FRIENDLY SCHOOL CRICKET

Saints' Narrow Win
Over La Salle

In a friendly cricket match played at King's Park yesterday, St. Joseph's College beat the La Salle College by the narrow margin of 2 runs.

St. Joseph's College—81 (A. R. Razack 27, X. Esmail 20; J. Alves 8 for 20, L. Gosano 3 for 34 and N. Elchison 2 for 18).

La Salle College—79 (J. Alves 25, A. da Silva 24; M. Asome 5 for 27 and A. P. Razack 3 for 19).

Boxing On The 15th

(By "RINGSIDER")

AFTER an interval of nearly a year, the Hong Kong Boxing Association have arranged an excellent programme of six events to take place at the Lee Theatre on Saturday, December 15, commencing at 9.15 p.m.

The outstanding feature of the programme is the title event over 15 rounds for the Light-Weight Championship of the Colony and a belt, presented by W. Ward Esq., the contenders being Stoker Pryall of H.M.S. Suffolk and Stoker Dee of H.M.S. Phoenix.

In the second main item on the programme, Cpl. Marsden, R.M., of H.M.S. Tamar meets Battling Chan, of the Flying Training School, Kai Tak, who is the unbeaten Bantam-weight champion of northern Malaya, and one of the finest boxers produced in the south.

This should provide one of the best fights of the night, for I have seen both men in action and forecast 10 rounds of good clean boxing.

REID'S FINE PROMISE

A coming champion is Signalman Reid of H.M.S. Keppel who meets A. B. Prandy in 6 rounds featherweight contest. Reid is quick as lightning and is very clever on his feet. He has a splendid defence and should account for his opponent inside the distance.

The provisional programme, subject to the contestants getting their commanding officer's permission, is as follows:—

6 Rounds Middleweight Contest

Cpl. Fitzgerald (H.M.S. Kent) v Stoker Armitage (H.M.S. Sandwich).

10 Rounds Bantam Weight Contest

Cpl. Marsden (H.M.S. Tamar) v Battling Chan, Flying Training School, Kai Tak, Champion North Malaya 1933.

6 Rounds Welterweight Contest

A. B. Wingrave (H.M.S. Phoenix) v A. B. Fancy (H.M.S. Medway).

15 Rounds Contest for the Light-weight Championship of the Colony, and Belt, presented by W. Ward Esq.

Stoker Pryall (H.M.S. Suffolk) v Stoker Dee (H.M.S. Phoenix).

6 Rounds Welterweight Contest

A. B. Parker (H.M.S. Medway) v A. B. Appleby (H.M.S. Pandora).

6 Rounds Featherweight Contest

A. B. Prandy (H.M.S. Kent) v Signalman Reid (H.M.S. Keppel).

DOCKYARD PRIZE DISTRIBUTION

All The Year's Winners

The annual prize distribution of the Dockyard Recreation Club, was held on Monday night following a very enjoyable concert, which was attended by Mrs. F. Elliott, wife of the Commodore, who distributed the prizes.

The following were the prize winners:

Tennis Club Championship—Winner, R. B. Hamby; runner-up, E. Jago.

Singles Handicap "A"—Winner, R. B. Hamby; runner-up, G. Leverett.

Hill Trophy—Won by C. G. Department.

Rifle Shooting Club Championship—Winner, H. Langley; runner-up, A. A. Lewis.

Walker Cup—Won by C. G. Department.

Billiards Club Handicap—Winner, J. W. Jefford; runner-up, B. Cullen.

Snooker Club Handicap—Winner, J. W. Jefford; runner-up, F. Jones.

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EVANS AND MARSH HARD TO STOP ROBERTSON AND JONES SHINE IN ATTACK PLAY DISTRIBUTED EVENLY

(By "REFEREE")

IN A FAIRLY EVEN ENCOUNTER, FEATURED BY FAST AND SCRAPPY PLAY, THE CLUB "A" FIFTEEN YESTERDAY DEFEATED H.M.S. SUFFOLK BY A GOAL (5 POINTS), TO A TRY (3 POINTS), WHEN THEY MET IN A FRIENDLY RUGBY GAME ON THE CLUB GROUND.

The Suffolk were a fairly strong side, Evans, the English International making a re-appearance after his recent leg injury, at centre-threequarter, being mainly responsible for the Navy's only score.

For his large bulk, Evans covered the ground at an amazing speed and was very hard to stop. His handing-off was good, so much so, that the Club players made sure of either taking him low or from behind.

ROBERTSON PLAYED AN OUTSTANDING GAME FOR THE CLUB, AND TIME AND AGAIN SAVED THE LINE. HIS KICKING WAS VERY GOOD, WHILE HE WAS DEADLY IN HIS TACKLING.

SUCCESSFUL ARMY HOCKEY TRIAL

KARTAR SINGH AND
SENIOR SHINE

DEFENCE FULLY TESTED BY
H.K.S.R.A. FORWARDS

In their practice hockey game against the Hong Kong Singapore Brigade, the Army Triangular Tournament hockey team were fully extended to win by 4 goals to 2, after leading by three clear goals at the interval.

Kartar Singh, at inside left, played an outstanding game, scoring the first two goals for the winners, while Senior the centre forward was responsible for the remaining two. The Indian team replied through Dost Mohammed and Khoda Bux, playing at inside-right and inside-left, respectively.

Metcalfe and Rossier, in the Army defence, were outstanding in their powerful hit, and accurate passes checking the numerous attacks of the Brigade. Williams, who replaced Laine at right-half, also played a good game, feeding his forwards with clean passes. Laine who is at present indisposed, is almost certain to be back again before the Tournament commences.

For the losers Haverhill, at centre half, was seen in one of his best games this season, his only fault being that he was not quite quick enough to hold Senior. His defensive play was sound, while his distribution was good.

The whole of the Army forward line combined well but were caught off-side too often. Robinson on the right-wing, was seen in some fast runs, but he was starved. Garthwaite, who played his usual steady game, never used his outside man until the closing stages of the game, when they were seen in some quick short passing movements.

Lal Singh Off Form

Lal Singh again shone on the left wing, but his play was slowed

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CLUB'S HOCKEY WIN OVER SAINTS

Play With Only Ten
Men Throughout

Fielding ten men throughout, the Club defeated St. Andrew's in a friendly hockey encounter at King's Park yesterday, by three clear goals.

The Club opened the scoring in the first half through J. L. Tetley, who netted two good goals. Divert added the Club's third goal in the latter part of the second half.

J. E. Potter was a hard worker in the Club's defence, while both W. and E. V. Reed, cleared well when under pressure.

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The Club were without several of the "A" fifteen men, and last minute changes had to be made. Lammet had to cry off at the last moment owing to a slight chill, and his position at full-back was filled by Gardner.

Jones and Robertson were the pick of the Club backs, the former handling brilliantly on occasion, and on several instances combined well with Robertson.

Coppin at scrum-half was poor, his passing from behind the pack being wild and never reaching its object. There were occasions when Robertson had to take the ball above his head, and was often collared before he could break away into a run.

Edkins who started as a centre but later changed to the left wing, very rarely saw the ball, and was too closely marked to do any damage when he did take a pass. Bramble, Garrod, Miller and Scott were prominent among the forwards, Miller and Moutrie shipping in the line-outs.

Christian-Smith was very steady at full-back for the Suffolk and kicked a good length ball.

Marsh And Evans Good

Marsh and Evans were the most dangerous three-quarters on display, especially the former who got away nine times out of ten after selling the dummy.

Marsh was hard to bring down, his swerve and speed often enabling him to outpace the Club defenders. Haman tried hard on the right wing but in Jones had a good opposite number and very rarely got away with anything.

Thornton and Jones made a good pair of halves and often set their line moving with some splendid passes from behind the pack.

Keane, Willis and Whinnery were the pick of the scrum.

The Club opened the game with a series of attacks, but the Navy backs were tackling well and repulsed any immediate attempts to score.

Club Open Scoring
Eventually a fine dribble by Jones and Scott saw Garrod follow up to ground wide of the posts. Robertson added the points with a good kick.

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China Mail Sports Diary

TO-DAY
Badminton—Ladies' Doubles—Recreio "A" v. Recreio "B".

Kowloon C.C. v. St. Andrew's Men's Doubles "B" Division.

Sailors and Soldiers' Home v. Victoria Recreation Club (8 p.m.)

Hockey—Fifth Battery, H.K.S.R.A. v. Radio Indians.

(Marina Ground, 5.10 p.m.)

St. Andrew's "A" v. T.M.C.A. Seconds (5.15 p.m.)

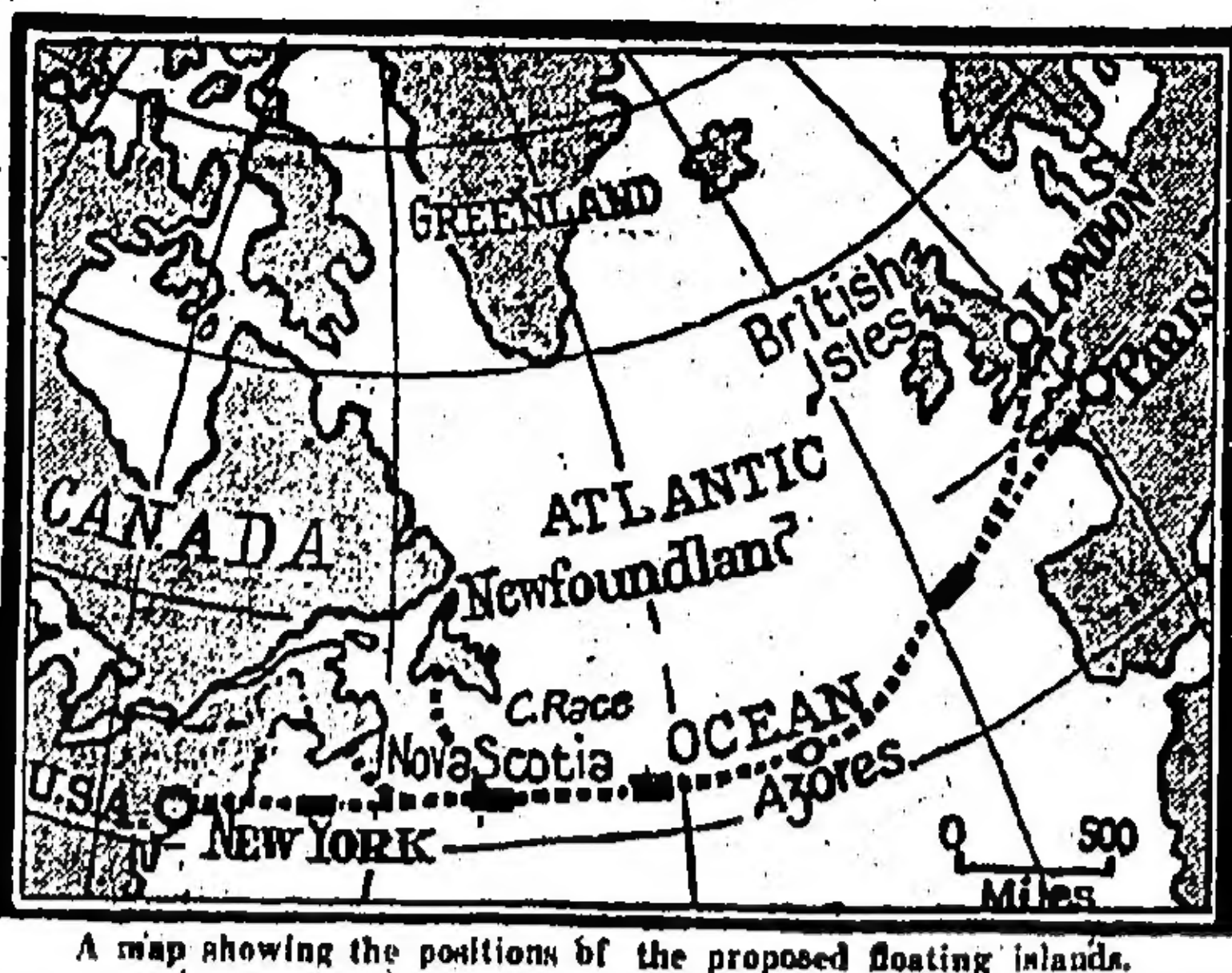
Racing—Entries close for Thirteen Extra Race Meeting, noon.

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FAMOUS FLYER SEES ATLANTIC AIR SERVICE WITHIN A YEAR



A map showing the positions of the proposed floating islands.

BRITISH PLANE COMBINE

PLAN TO SECURE BIGGER SHARE IN FOREIGN MARKET

NEW SALES POLICY FOR CHINA

SECRET CONFERENCES

It is understood that a £5,000,000 British aircraft group is being formed to secure an increased share of the world's aeroplane markets for Great Britain.

Many secret conferences have been held, and as a result it has been decided to form the group to exploit British civil and military aircraft over-seas in a more determined and scientific manner than ever before.

The first territory to be attacked is China, and it is understood that an official announcement of the new sales policy will be made shortly.

In China British aeroplane manufacturers are faced with severe competition from the United States and Italy, whose manufacturers selling in that market are said to be heavily subsidised.

CHEAP FLYING IN AMERICA

ACTUAL SAVING ON RAILWAY FARES

Sir Eric Geddes recently referred to the high average speed which the American airlines maintain as compared with Imperial Airways. He did not mention the low fares which their heavy mail subsidies enable them to offer.

In many cases it is actually cheaper to travel by air in the United States than to go by rail, when the cost of meals on the train is taken into account.

Here are three examples:

New York to San Francisco.—By air \$32, time 17 hours; by train \$24, time 3 days and 4 nights.

New York to Chicago.—By air \$9 10s., by train \$3 7s. 6d.

New York to Washington.—By air \$2 16s., by train \$2.

The distance from London to Calcutta is slightly more than twice that from New York to San Francisco. The Imperial Airways rate from London to Calcutta is £122.

LONDON TO AMERICA IN 18 HOURS

TWO FLIGHTS DAILY EACH WAY CLAIMED

M. BLERIOT'S PROPHECY

M. LOUIS BLERIOT, the famous pioneer airman, stated last month that a twice-daily service each way across the Atlantic, by means of a chain of floating "seadromes," was likely to be inaugurated within a year, and would bring London and Paris within 18 hours of New York.

M. Bleriot, who more than 25 years ago was the first man to fly the English Channel and win the Daily Mail £1,000 prize when a sceptical world scoffed at the idea, stated emphatically that the next and immediate step—within a year or perhaps even earlier—in the progress of flying would be:

TWO SERVICES DAILY FROM EAST TO WEST AND WEST TO EAST ACROSS THE ATLANTIC, BRINGING LONDON OR PARIS WITHIN 18 HOURS OF NEW YORK.

M. Bleriot, who had just returned to Paris from the 33rd international air congress at Washington, said:

"This development will be far more epoch-making than my first cross-Channel flight. There is nothing visionary about it at all. It is a matter of practical or even urgent importance."

ENGINEERING THE EARTH
"We shall construct floating islands between Europe and America and between America and Asia which will not only make an Atlantic crossing by air a mere matter of 18 hours but will soon enable the world to be engirdled."

"This is a question of the utmost importance to Great Britain, with her far-flung Empire. No country more than Britain is interested in quick and safe inter-communication between the different parts of the world."

"I have gone carefully into the plans and estimates of the projected Transatlantic air service and I have inspected the models of the floating islands which are being rapidly pushed forward at Wilmington, Delaware."

FOUR FLOATING ISLANDS
"The scheme will probably first be put into force for the crossing of the Pacific, and the Atlantic service will follow. The United States War Department, which is backing it, wishes to make a start with a trans-Pacific air mail and passenger service."

"It is proposed to start the Transatlantic service with four floating islands. Perhaps a couple more islands will be added later as emergency stations, though four should be enough. Even with our present aircraft two services a day each way are quite feasible."

"These Transatlantic and Trans-Pacific air services will be of as great world importance as was the building of the Suez and Panama canals. Ships will continue to carry cargo along the sea routes of the world, but the seaplane will carry the mails and passengers."

M. Bleriot has the plans of the islands which it is proposed to anchor in a chain across the Atlantic. Each island consists of a landing platform more than 500 yards long and about 100 ft. above sea level, and will be moored to a huge concrete anchor specially lowered to the seabed.

There will be only one anchor, on which each island can pivot so as to be facing the wind for landing purposes. Four, six, or more submarine propellers will enable an island to be kept in any direction required.

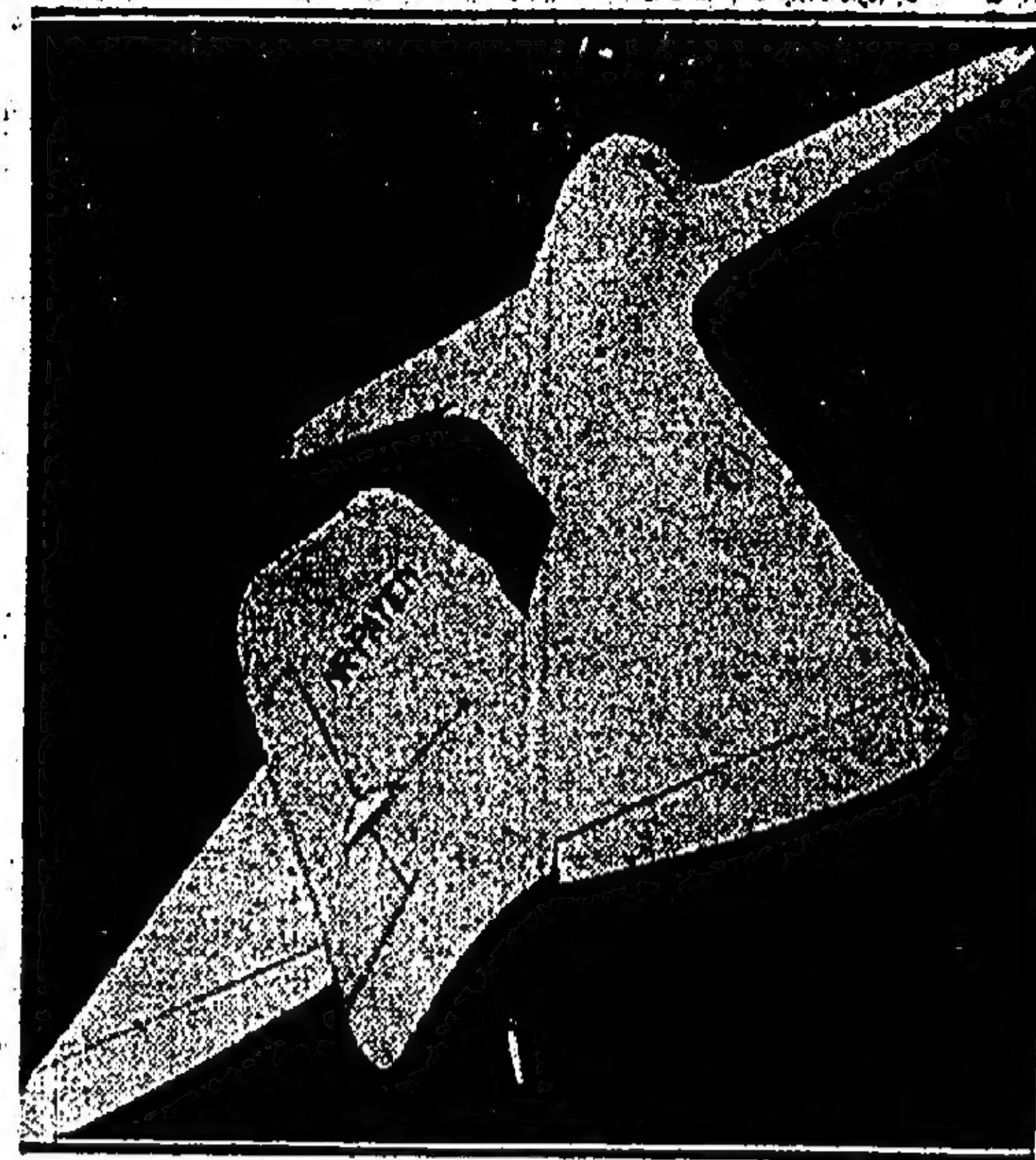
MID-OCEAN RESTAURANTS
"On the floor beneath the landing platform," states M. Bleriot, "there will be an hotel and restaurant and accommodation for garaging and refuelling aeroplanes, which will be taken down from the landing platform by lifts."

"There will be spare parts and everything required. The floating islands will be complete seadromes with every modern equipment."

"It is estimated that in the first year of operation the Transatlantic air service will carry 80 passengers a day. The estimated fare for the crossing is \$30 a head, £13 of which will be paid by the passenger in landing fees to the Seadrome Ocean Deck Corporation, owners and builders of the floating islands."

"This twice-daily passenger service should bring in \$800,000 per annum, and the carriage of mails for all interested countries is estimated at about \$120,000."

"I am told that the British, French, United States, and Canadian Governments are willing to



France expects to take the world speed mark of 440 m.p.h. away from Italy with this new departure in plane design. It is described as having "an elephant's power in a greyhound's body."

FLYING-BOAT FOR PACIFIC

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If you see a man wearing a blue tie with a gold caterpillar on it, you may be certain that he is an airman who has saved his life by a forced parachute landing.

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The tie, however, is reserved exclusively for British members of the Caterpillar Society.

PHANTOM AIRMEN IDENTIFIED

Soviet Aerodromes Near Finnish Frontier

Stockholm.

The mystery of the phantom airmen haunting Scandinavian waters for the last few months has, it is reported, at last been cleared up.

According to a telegram from Helsinki, a high officer of the Red Army, who recently escaped from Murmansk across the Finnish frontier, stated that three Soviet Russia aerodromes, besides a military air base at Alexandrowsk, exist near the shores of the White Sea.

One is at Kandalax and one at Palaejaervi, which are both more important than the one at Alexandrowsk. Each can accommodate 40 planes.

The officer, who helped to build these aerodromes, believes that the planes seen off the Norwegian coast belong to these units.

SECOND GIANT MACHINE READY AT BRIDGEPORT

BEING FITTED AS TRAINING PLANE

MAY FLY TO CHINA

Bridgeport, Conn.
The second giant four-engined flying-boat of the Pan-American Airways has been completed and is being fitted for test flights which will precede the inauguration of trial flights on the trans-Pacific route.

The huge Sikorsky is being fitted as a training plane for trans-ocean experimental flights, it was stated by company officials.

Carrying 8½ tons of fuel, the new aerial leviathan will have a cruising radius of more than 8,000 miles, which will be ample to assure safety in the long over-water stretches of the proposed trans-Pacific service, Pan-American executives said.

California Tests
First tests of the new giant, sister-ship of the Brazilian Clipper which recently inaugurated a new schedule on the New York-South American run, will be held over the Atlantic and Caribbean, with Miami, Fla., as the base for the operations.

Later, the new plane will be taken to California for similar tests "preparatory to actual inauguration of experimental flights across the Pacific to China, by way of the Hawaiian Islands, Guam and the Philippines," company officials said.

CIVIL AVIATION PROGRESS IN JAPAN

Japan will have more than 700 licensed civilian pilots by March 1935. On November 19, men and women pilots in Japan totalled 671, 262 having, first-class papers, 320 second-class and 89 third-class.

THE ROBOT PILOT

"GYROSCOPIC GEORGE" USED IN BIG RACE

FOR SPEED, SAFETY AND COMFORT

ALMOST HUMAN "THINKING"

With only two exceptions, the competitors who completed the course in the England-Melbourne air race used "blind flying" instruments based on the gyroscope.

The first five in at Melbourne were equipped with them, and all speak enthusiastically of the great service they rendered. No one is warmer in praise than Mr. O. Cathcart Jones and Mr. Ken Waller. "Automatic pilots," based on the gyroscope, are fitted already to many R.A.F. night bombers, and are called "George" in Service slang.

Big Improvement
The new automatic pilot now available is, however, a considerable improvement. The gyroscopic instruments indicate at once the slightest veering, tilting, or rolling in cloud. As cloud deadens the pilot's normal observation, he is saved fatigue, anxiety and error, a distinct contribution to safety.

There is neither lag nor oscillation in the instruments. They should eliminate such accidents as have been caused by planes emerging unstable from low clouds.

Providing smoother flying, the instruments used in the race have in some cases added as much as ten miles per hour to the cruising speed. One of the incidental effects is a distinct reduction in air-sickness.

These instruments are developed and manufactured in England, and at the present time nine in ten of the Air Forces of the world have adopted them.

Less Than 60lb.
They are not yet generally in use in the R.A.F., but British manufacturers, with very few exceptions, are fitting them. They are used by Imperial Airways and other lines.

They weigh less than 60lb., and the cost is a very moderate portion of the price of any aeroplane bigger than a light two-seater.

The fully-automatic pilot is comparatively expensive, but there are indications that will soon be in general use in all the bigger machines.

An extraordinary instance of the almost human "thinking" of the automatic pilot is that an aeroplane dropping perhaps 200ft. in a bad air bump will of its own accord gently climb back to the right altitude and resume level flight.

AIR RECORD BID

Across U.S. In 12 Hours With 11 Passengers

FAMOUS ACE PILOT WAITS

Captain Eddie Rickenbacker, the famous American war aviator, is waiting in Los Angeles for favourable weather to attempt another cross-continent record in a passenger aeroplane.

Last February he astonished the world by flying in a Douglas machine the 2,650 miles from Los Angeles to Newark, New Jersey, in just over 13 hours.

Using a sister air-liner to the one in which Farmanier and Moll won second place in the England-Australia race, Captain Rickenbacker now hopes, by keeping up a 220 m.p.h. average, to cut down the time for the transcontinental flight to 12 hours. Eleven passengers will be carried and only one halt made.

ZEPPELINS ON MANCHUKUO AIR SERVICE

It is reported in Japanese circles that Manchukuo will place at the disposal of the Pacific Air Transport Co., which will shortly be organized as a joint Manchukuo-German concern, several Zeppelins to be purchased from Germany.

Japan Planning New Air Route To Knit Cities In Mandated Isles

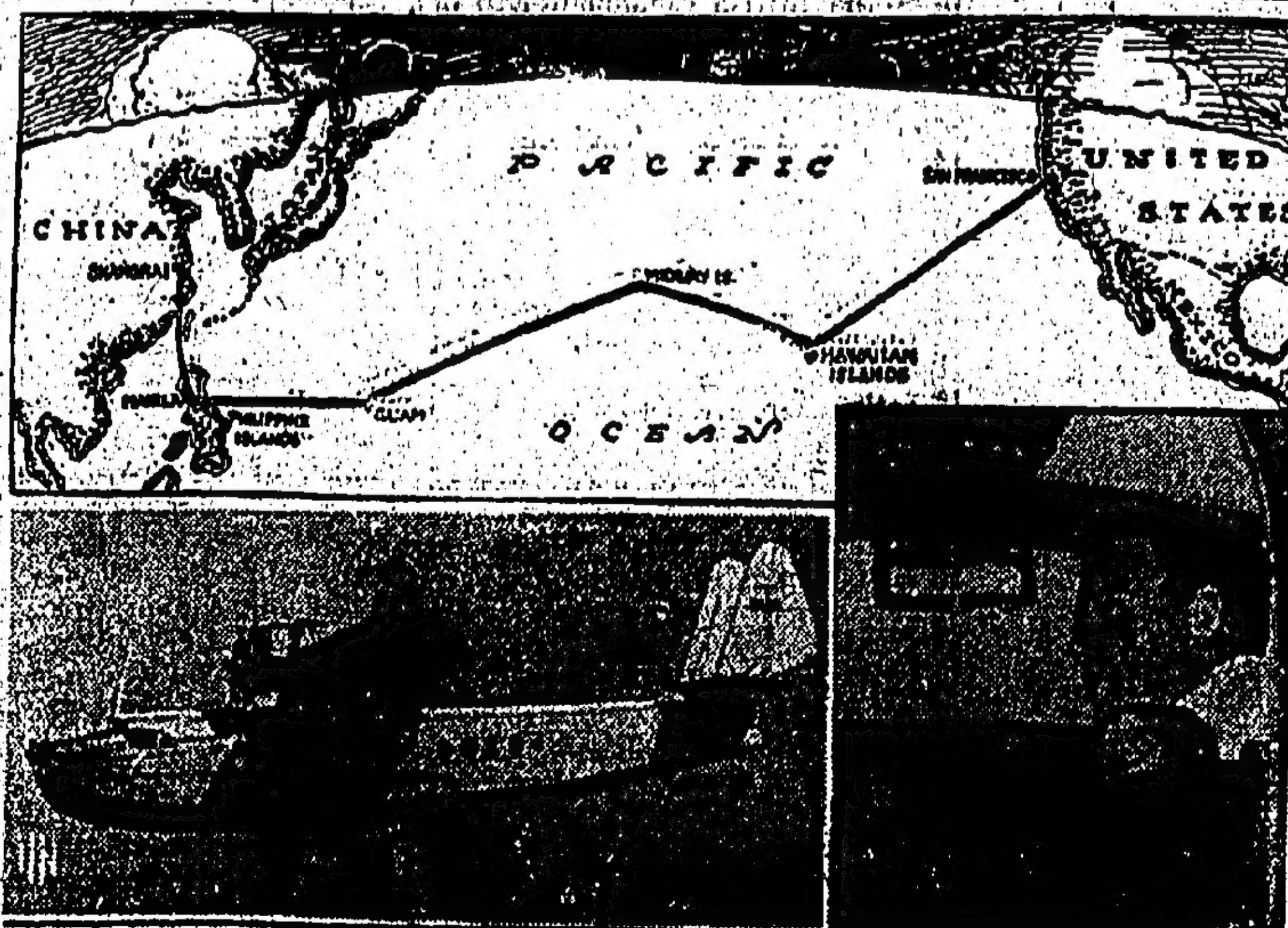
Yokohama.
Japan is planning another air route to knit her far-flung Pacific island empire more closely together, this one to connect Saipan, chief port of the Marianne or Ladrone islands, and Palau, capital of the Caroline group, 1,200 miles apart.

Both groups are included in the former German possessions, in the equatorial Pacific which the Japanese navy occupied at the outset of the world war and which Japan now holds in firm possession nominally under the mandate of the League of Nations.

Japanese development of these islands, especially the extensive harbour works at Saipan, was discussed in headlines around the world recently when the League of Nations mandates commission considered and accepted Japan's annual report on her administration of the mandated territories.

There have been suspicious abroad, never proved, that Japan's building of extensive harbours and laying out of aeroplane landing fields have been for naval or military purposes.

Two naval aviators sailed from Yokohama recently to inaugurate the Saipan-Palau service, in which they will use an overhauled hydroplane, equipped with a 450-horsepower Jupiter engine with a cruising radius of approximately 1,200 miles.



A flight across the Pacific to mark the course Pan-American Airways planes will follow when the round-the-world air schedule is begun next summer, will take Col. Charles A. Lindbergh away from America after the Hauptmann trial is over. The type of plane being constructed for the trans-ocean service, and Col. Lindbergh at the controls are pictured.

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him in his recent bereavement.
(By cable.)

The China Mail

Hong Kong, Thursday, Dec. 6, 1934.

Empire Parliamentary Conference

The increasing importance of Imperial relationships makes valuable the proceedings of the Empire Parliamentary Conference now meeting in Melbourne. Although the views expressed by the representatives are personal and not official, this meeting of delegates from the dominions, India, and Great Britain takes on the appearance of an Imperial Conference. Especially notable and helpful is the fact that the mother country is represented by such figures as Lord Milne and Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, British Under-Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs. The method of conference has now become established as a permanent principle of arranging affairs, understanding points of view, and settling disputes. In the international sphere it has been adopted more and more in recent years, and the average man in the street would be considerably surprised at the extent to which the method is used through the medium of such bodies as the League of Nations. The growing complexity of the interdependence between the members of the British Commonwealth of Nations has also necessitated frequent consultation on matters of general policy, as well as on specific subjects. That the present conference will take no votes and adopt no resolutions is something in its favour, perhaps, rather than a confining limitation. More than one conference in recent times has lost prestige by inability to arrive at satisfactory resolutions, or been discredited by the futility of those which have been passed. The representatives of the dominions and Great Britain, not being tied down to rigid formulae, can express themselves more frankly, and the added freedom of discussion should mean clearer understanding of the problems at issue and the differing points of view in regard to them. At the Ottawa Conference the determination of definite agreements involved a clashing of interests, and thus produced a bargaining spirit which was inconsistent with the ties of loyalty and affec-

tion which are the strongest links between the members of the family of the Empire. At the present conference no such unhappy element should intrude. It is significant that the first problem discussed at Melbourne was that of Empire trade, and especially of course, the value of the Ottawa agreements. Mr. MacDonald pointed out that the agreements were not dead, but "alive and kicking." The latter term might also be applied to the countries concerned. Ottawa has received trenchant criticism all round. In Great Britain it has often been felt that the dominions, in particular Canada and Australia, have failed to implement sufficiently the general undertaking by which they pledged themselves to afford tariff protection against United Kingdom products only to those industries which are reasonably assured of sound opportunities for success, and on a level which would give the British producer full opportunities of reasonable competition. It has also been felt that the Ottawa agreements have been broken by New Zealand in regard to meat, and by Australia in regard to cotton goods. Furthermore, economists have pointed out that the expansion of British exports to the dominions has not proceeded apace with the expansion of dominion imports into Great Britain. On the other hand, Mr. Elliot's agricultural policy has been felt here to be a departure from the spirit of Ottawa. That policy, in furtherance of the protection of the British farmer, has used the three methods of the tariff, the quota, and the processing tax or levy; the second of these, the quota or "quantitative regulation" of imports, has been resented here. At the moment there are protests against the proposed restriction of the export of frozen beef to the United Kingdom.

Looking at the matter in its broader aspects, one must admit that the problem is complex, and needs the most careful consideration. In the first place, neither Great Britain nor Australia can hope to set up an autarchy, except at a ruinous economic and social cost. In so far as Ottawa continues the fallacy of economic nationalism, it is unsound economy. In so far as each member of the British Commonwealth is an economic unit striving self-sufficiency, certain conflicts of interest are inevitable. On the other hand, these conflicts could be adjusted in a friendly fashion and along constructive, harmonious lines. In a world of increasing self-sufficiency, it is perhaps necessary to follow the fashion. And if so, the wider the unit, the greater the retention of freedom of trade. The Empire can achieve to some extent an economic as well as a political unity. In

HERE, THERE — EVERYWHERE

FASTER THAN SOUND

What will happen to us when aeroplanes attain the speed of sound? To do this an acceleration of 280 miles an hour on the present record is required—no impossibility. The accumulated noise might deafen or kill anyone standing below. Actually the physical effect on an observer of an object moving faster than sound is known from experiments with shells.

It is a familiar fact that if you are struck by lightning you do not hear the thunder. Also if you are shot through the head so that you instantly lose consciousness you do not hear the explosion of the rifle.

ONDE de CHOC

Actually the first thing you hear when an object moving faster than its own sound passes over you is a sharp crack like a pistol shot. This is called the "onde de choc" and is not really a sound wave, but a wave of air which presses on the ear drum.

Following this (in the instance of a shell) come the noise of the detonation and the whine of the object passing through the air.

If an aeroplane passed overhead at a speed greater than sound the noise would be no greater than, at present, but it would not be heard until the machine had already passed.

Your Daily Smile!

A flyer has enlisted Scotland Yard to help locate a missing wallet containing \$1,000. Has he looked in all his air pockets?

Old Habit
"My advice to you, Colonel, is to go through the movements of driving without using the ball," said the golf instructor.

"My dear fellow," answered the Colonel, "that's precisely the trouble I'm wanting to overcome."

No Time to Lose
A college student wrote to his father: "Dear Father: I am in the city and am broke, and have no friends. What shall I do?"

His father replied: "Dear Son: Make friends at once!"

Both Right
"Some of you pedestrians walk as if you owned the streets."

"Yes, and some of you motorists drive around just as if you owned your cars."

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

Five cases of diphtheria were reported in the Colony during the 24 hours ended December 4.

The m.v. "Silvercypress" from New York sailed from Los Angeles on November 12, and is expected to arrive here on or about December 11.

A concert will be held to-day at 8 p.m. at the Helena May Theatre. The artists are: Mme. Lutz Shattain, Miss E. Yuen, Mr. G. D'Aquino, Prof. H. Ore, Miss E. Alves and the Choral Group.

The R.M.S. Empress of Canada sailed from Shanghai yesterday evening, and is due to arrive here to-morrow at 1 p.m. She will sail for Manila at 10 p.m. to-morrow.

The R.M.S. Empress of Japan arrived at Vancouver on Tuesday and will sail on December 15 for Hong Kong, where she is due to arrive on January 4.

such unity will be strength. It will mean "enlightened self-interest," as Mr. MacDonald stressed at the Parliamentary Conference. And, finally, in spite of all the criticism, Ottawa has positive achievements to its credit. Empire trade has expanded since the agreements. The Board of Trade returns show that during the first eight months of this year Empire countries for the first time brought from Britain manufactured goods of British origin to a greater value than those bought by foreign countries. At the same time, dominion exports to the United Kingdom have shown a continuous and expanding increase. This may be only part of the general British trade recovery, but it is justifiable to assume that some of the credit must go to the Ottawa agreements.

THE CHANGING LIFE OF RUSSIA

"CLASSLESS SOCIETY" NOW ON WANE NEW CASTES AND GRADES

(By A. T. Cholerton)

ANYONE resident in the big cities of Russia to-day who keeps observant eyes cannot be in any doubt about it. A Red "bourgeoisie d'Etat," as it might be called, is rapidly emerging out of State Capitalism. This new upper layer, comprising "responsible workers" — in other words, key officials and managers, officers of the Army and Police, Soviet men of letters, painters who glorify the triumphs of Bolshevism in peace and war — certainly regards itself not as a separate class, but as an elite, a deserving vanguard of the still vague and misty "proletariat."

Its growing, privileged comfort, in the form of modern flats, cars, amusements, some travel, better food and clothing, is evidence of the progress and consolidation of Soviet society, for which the "responsible workers" provide an essential framework.

Changed Ideas

Economic inequality has always existed in Russia. In a famous speech last February Joseph Stalin actually erected it into a principle of Sovietism. It used to be practised with great circumspection. What strikes me now, especially after several weeks' absence in Europe, is the sudden burst of speed with which it is coming out into the open. This is a very important new fact, for economic inequality, openly practised, soon leads to social inequality.

This new fact is rapidly changing the face of life in Moscow and a few other big cities — it is not yet apparent in the neglected provincial towns. It is quite plainly tolerated, and to some extent encouraged. The Dictatorship evidently believes that the stabilisation can be safely attempted; now that the peasants are collectivised, the old intelligentsia are finally squeezed down, new people are in the saddle, everything has been pretty well nationalised (etatized), and everybody driven in under the State.

Not so very long ago the Kremlin announced that the "classless society" would be realised under the present (second) Five-Year Plan. Except in the most abstract Marxist sense, that has not happened. Present-day society in Russia is a "declassée society," teeming with new castes or grades — a humdrum recently counted 68 — not a classless one. What the Kremlin really seems to have meant was that so-called "class war" could now be safely suspended.

Men Better Dressed

The new Electoral Law, enfranchising a large number of deported peasants and holding out hope of like favour to former bourgeois citizens now "regenerated," is evidence of this intention. The right to vote in a Soviet election actually means little, but the concession of it to some members of the "depressed classes" is accepted as a signal that there will be less persecution in future. Its importance is symbolical. In Eastern countries symbols count for much. Under Dictatorship, people rapidly develop a sixth sense, which tells them when it is safe to begin doing certain things openly. They react instantly to changes of atmosphere in high places. In the grim setting of "class war," even those on the winning side must take care to look like an oppressed proletariat.

What was sinful in days gone by is no longer. Men who used to dress down to look like manual workers, now begin to dress up like members of the bourgeoisie.

And, above all, their women rush to get clothes, usually shoddy and outrageously dear, in the latest "Western" fashion, at the new State shops. Nobody has yet been able to explain satisfactorily how they do it. "Mostorg," the general stores near the Opera, formerly owned by an English firm, Muir and Merriells, even offers foreign cloth at 180 to 230 roubles a metre, which is seven to ten weeks' average wage or salary of all Trade Union members. The same Red "emporium" flaunts dinner "jackets" but I have

never yet seen them in wear save on the backs of officials deputed to receive visiting foreigners or those delegated to attendance on foreign parties.

Orghonikidze, the powerful Commissar for Heavy Industry, has ordered his engineers to dress more smartly. The Red directors of his factories are to see that this is done.

For years "the lascivious, decadent Western fox-trot" was frowned upon by Red purists. Indulgence in such "pleasures," except by the specialist personnel surrounding foreigners, might have meant reprimand or even arrest. Now Defence Commissar Voroshilov has ordered all his officers to learn modern dances. Even university students are being taught them.

The childish mass games in the parks, which so delighted visiting foreign "pinks" and other romantics, are now forsaken. Soviet youth dances to modern tunes. Already in the public parks I notice railed-off dancing enclosures, reserved for those who can pay five roubles. Teachers from the Opera Ballet are in attendance within.

Moscow's Shops

There is, of course, a great deal of trompe-l'œil about all that. For every clear-sighted observer, Moscow remains a very grim city. House fronts are repainted, but for the most part cloak squalid, rickety, densely over-crowded tenements. The "windows of the new commercial shops," "open to all citizens," are bright with clothes and food, but very few citizens can afford to buy in these places, and there is still very little to be had in the workers' "co-operatives."

Yet I see humble folk promending good-temperedly through "Elika's," the big provision stores on the Tverskaya, just re-opened as "Model Gastronomy No. 1," with poultry and fish at 9 roubles a pound. They are getting some reflected glory from possession of a shop described by the Moscow Press as "unique in Europe."

What Bolsheviks mean at class where as "State Chauvinism" is a very important psychological factor in Moscow. The same naive Chauvinism is apparent in the reason that a young student gave for the official encouragement of dancing:

"A Red staff officer attending the 10th Anniversary Celebrations of the Turkish Republic in Ankara was asked to dance by a Turkish lady, but did not know how to dance. That cast shame upon all of us!"

Thus renewed contact with the outer world, although on purely official business, helps to change atmosphere.

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SLANDER ACTION CONCLUDES

Judgment Reserved

Judgment was reserved by Mr. Justice P. Jackson at the Supreme Court this morning at the conclusion of the Cheung Chau slander action, in which Liu Kwan, a young Chinese girl of 18, is claiming \$1,000 damages for injury to her credit and reputation by Kwai Yip, a village Elder and the defendant in the action.

Mr. M. A. da Silva appeared on behalf of the plaintiff, while Mr. M. K. Lo was for the defendant.

After Mr. Silva and Mr. Lo had addressed the court at length, touching upon the various aspects of the case, his Lordship reserved judgment.

The first performance on the Helena May Institute Pantomime, "Aladdin," will be staged on Thursday December 13 and not on the previous day. Those who have already bought tickets for the 12th can change them at Anderson's Music Co. Ltd. for any other performance, or can have the money refunded.

HONG KONG ART CLUB DISPLAY

Only A Few Pictures Show Promise

A CANDID-CRITIQUE

(By A. S. KONYA)

Since needlework and lace have gone out of fashion, our aesthetically inclined ladies have descended upon the fine and the applied arts.

True appreciation and understanding of art is an art in itself and an achievement which can be reached only with the fullest application of one's aesthetic and other intellectual qualities. Therefore one would assume that those who feel the urge to some form of self-expression, but are not endowed with any special talent to create, would find the most complete satisfaction in the joys of that achievement.

Unfortunately most people completely misunderstand the meaning of the term "art appreciation," and the manner in which its mastery may be acquired. They confuse the knowledge of drawing and painting with what is termed art. Ability to draw or paint has its practical use and its teaching should be encouraged as it has especially on children a great and beneficial influence. What is imperative to remember is that the accurate representation of objects does not properly constitute what is known as a work of art.

Affair Of Emotions
Accuracy is merely a skill, an intellectual quality, and art is an affair of the emotions.

An intelligent study of art appreciation gives a fullness to an otherwise humdrum life, and increases the number of the few to whom an artist can speak. The mere dabbling in art degrades it to a pastime and, as far as its value is concerned, creates a confusion in the minds of those who practice it.

A most vivid illustration of this theory is the confusion called the Hong Kong Art Club Exhibition, which opened yesterday morning on the top floor of the Gloucester Building. It must be a confusion in every sense of the word, if one realises that there are 271 exhibits crowded into a comparatively small room.

It takes good and steady nerves to dig one's way through the maze of frames containing what are described in the catalogue as "water-colours," "oil-paintings," etc., in search of a few bright spots.

Some Show Promise
There are only a few such pictures, but some of them show promise that some day we may see a real art exhibition in Hong Kong. Reginald Woolley and Luis Chan's pictures are among the bright spots. Both young men are entirely self-taught, but their work shows genuine and deep interest, plus real ability.

Mrs. O. P. Joce's water-colours and wood-engravings reflect no brilliant and dazzling technique, but they are made with an unassuming and quiet love of the subject, and her results are genuine. Of Mrs. I. M. A. Macfadyen's pictures, Nos. 147 and 150 are the best. Both possess a freshness of vision, which is unfortunately lacking in her portraits.

Mrs. Marty-Fredreux, who has only one picture on view (No. 154), is certainly the most accomplished artist in the exhibition. Her picture has that something which is so sadly lacking in the whole show. I know that this statement will cause some upheaval among the good ladies of the Club, who believe that a more or less accurate graphic presentation of an object is the top of all achievements.

Mrs. R. Robertson's paintings have good qualities and it is a pity that she lays so much importance on a pleasing technique which tends to become mannerism.

There are a few others showing more than mere skill in the handling of the brush or pencil. Those are Mrs. Bowes-Smith, Col. L. C. Lewis, Wong Sui Ling, Mrs. Tat-Rojdestvin, and Lee Y. Tong.

SCOTTISH CUP

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The Rangers, the holders, meet Cowdenbeath, while St. Mirren, last year's finalists, meet Peebles Rovers.

Aberdeen who are also among the leaders should encounter little opposition from Falkirk, while St. Johnstone and Aberdeen should provide an exciting clash. Dundee have an attractive tie against Motherwell.



The former Senator from Kentucky and United States Ambassador to Germany, Mr. Fred M. Sackett, was named as a guest in the negotiations between the family of Mrs. Alice Speed Stoll and her abductors.

"FRESH FIELDS"

Another Success For Local A.D.C.

AMUSING FARCE

It is said that achievement is but another milestone on the pathway of progress, a saying which can aptly apply to the Hong Kong Amateur Dramatic Club who achieved a further success to their milestone of productions, with Ivor Novello's play "Fresh Fields" which was presented to the Hong Kong public at the China Fleet Club Theatre last night.

The story of the play is an interesting comedy of a present day situation where a family of high standing, finding themselves financially embarrassed, go to the "extreme" by taking in paying guests, to help them out of their difficulties. The paying guests are Australians who have amassed wealth by the sale of land and property to the Government and who have arrived in the Old Country to enjoy themselves, and at the same time, endeavour to enter the high social circles.

The incidents and complications involved are very amusing, and in parts, subtly daring, and great credit is due to each and every member of the cast, six of whom are making their debut in an A.D.C. production, for the excellent manner in which they put the play "over".

To single out any particular member of the cast for outstanding stage ability, would be an injustice to the others; all played their part in a capable and natural manner which will add fresh laurels to the A.D.C.'s long list of stage successes. It is a play not to be missed under any circumstances and those who were not in a position to be present at the opening performance would be well advised to make every endeavour to witness "Fresh Fields".

The players are: Miss Swaine (Helena Stuart Smith), Ludlow (Eric Brooks), Lady Lilian Bedworthy (Beryl Gough), Lady Mary Crabbe (Fay Grossman), Tim Crabbe (Andrew Mackinlay), Mrs. Pigeon (Eileen Bellamy), Una Pigeon (Sheila Jeffries), Tom Larcomb (Gulford Dudley) and Lady Strathmore (Cynthia Fasken).

HEAVY BOOKINGS FOR A.D.C. SHOW

Telephone Reservation Warning

In connection with the A. D. C. production of "Fresh Fields" at the China Fleet Club Theatre we are asked to announce that reservations made by telephone for the last night, Saturday, December 8, must be taken up at Messrs. Andersons at the latest by noon on Friday.

The demand for seats is already in excess of the accommodation available and unsold tickets will be re-sold as from Friday afternoon. Seats are still available for Thursday and Friday.

NEW EMPIRE STAMP

The West Indian Colony of Grenada has just issued a new set of large postage stamps.

In some of the designs the King's head is in the right-hand corner, with a local view in the centre of the stamp. Other designs use the arms of the Colony in two medallions. The issue is considered by philatelists to be one of the most attractive of recent years.

STAR THEATRE'S ENTERPRISE

"Shorts" For Kiddies On Sunday

11.30 A.M. PROGRAMME

Parents will know what to do with their children on Sunday, following the Star Theatre's new enterprise.

As the result of public appeal, the management have decided to have a fifth performance on Sunday—at 11.30 a.m.

This is solely for the benefit of the children, and cartoons, travel pictures, and others of educational interest will comprise the programme.

For this new experiment the prices of admission are 20 cents (downstairs) and 35 cents (dress circle), adults included.

CUSTOMS OFFICER'S EVIDENCE

Kowloon Assault Case Proven

When Yeung Ki, the Chinese Customs Officer, was in the witness box at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning he told his story properly, putting such a very different light on the case that Mr. E. W. Hamilton convicted the defendant, Chan Hon Chau, on all three charges, for trespassing on the Railway Station, placing himself in a dangerous position on the rails, and for assaulting the Customs officer.

On the first two charges, namely, trespassing on the railway, totalling \$100, in default of one month's imprisonment, were imposed, while on the last count sentence of three months' hard labour was passed.

HUNDREDS FLOCK TO SHELTER

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One of the men who sought shelter was an Annamite, speaking fluent French.

On admittance to the shelter each man was given a number, allotting him a bunk.

The shelter, which accommodates 139 persons, contains iron bunks on three tiers. Outside the church a long wooden shelter has been constructed. Each applicant is advised to take a hot bath before entering the shelter. Ample hot water is supplied from a specially constructed kitchen in front of the church. There is also a dispensary where emergency cases can be treated.

Disseised Persons Attended

The China Mail was told by Mr. Chang Yeung, the Superintendent, that disseised persons receive special attention, and are not allowed to use the bath. Hot tea is served during the mornings and evenings.

The shelter is under the care of volunteers. Up to last night 82 were enrolled. Miss Atkin said that more would be welcomed, as an additional shelter, opposite the Tung Wah Hospital, off Po Yan Street, will be opened next Saturday. Four volunteers are required for duty each night.

Those in charge last night were Miss E. S. Atkins, head of the volunteers, Mr. D. Paul, Mr. Ng Siu-tong, Mr. Yeung On, Mr. Antony Huang, and Mr. Chang Yeung.

The Shelter was visited last night by Dr. H. D. Mathews, Mr. A. L. Collins, and Mr. R. G. Ford.

COLDER IN COLONY TO-DAY

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On January 25, this year, the mercury dropped to 42.8 degrees, while in January last year 41.4 degrees was recorded. These figures, however, appear trivial against the weather of 1893, when the thermometer registered only 32 degrees on January 18. The latter figure is the Colony's cold record.

EUROPE'S MONEY MUDDLE

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Inflationary influences are increasing in China, while the silver embargo appears to be ineffective. Throughout European politics a common sense and a feeling of international accord continue to gain ground.

To-day's Short Story.

ARROW OF EROS

By J. B. Connie

IT was springtime in London, and there was magic in the air. The Serpentine glittered in the sunshine, and in Kensington Gardens was spread out a fragrant carpet of yellow, violet, and white crocuses and daffodils. The magic had penetrated as far as Piccadilly Circus, and on the steps of the Shaftesbury Memorial Fountain were baskets of violets. These added to the enchantment, by shedding their perfume on the wings of every wisp of breeze that passed. True, it was soon annihilated by the all-pervading smell of petrol, but while the violet perfume lasted it did its work.

Young Paul Sutherland caught a faint hint of it as he started up at graceful Eros, poised above him. He breathed again—deeply, this time—and that breath changed his whole life. Enchanted by the perfume of the violets, he immediately bought a bunch; then stood staring at them and feeling rather absurd, because Paul considered it effeminate to carry flowers.

A maiden, who till that moment had also been contemplating the grace of Eros, understood Paul's dilemma and smiled.

"Please accept these," he requested, crossing to her, "they're too beautiful to throw away."

She thanked him and pinned them in her frock.

"Australian, too?" he said with a characteristic lift of his eyebrow.

She nodded: "How did you guess?"

"By your 'e's, you pronounce them a, not eh!"

She smiled, and when Elspeth smiled she was particularly attractive. Her deep blue eyes produced a twinkle like the sudden switching on of a light, and a will-o'-the-wisp dimple came and went at one corner of her mouth.

"I say, I'm so delighted to have met one of my own countrymen," he said, half-humorously, "let's talk a while. Could we have tea somewhere?"

MR. ATIENZA LAID TO REST

Many Mourners Attend Last Rites

The funeral of the late Mr. Vicente Atienza, who died at St. Paul's Hospital on Tuesday at the age of 85 years, took place at the Happy Valley Cemetery yesterday afternoon.

The Rev. Father G. M. Spada officiated, while Bishop H. Valtorta, and the Rev. Fathers Rossello and Nival were present at the graveside.

The chief mourners were the deceased's son, Dr. Atienza and his wife. Among those present were, Chap Chew-kwong, W. T. Lee, W. C. Lee, A. E. S. Alves, A. F. Delgado, B. N. Xavier, E. Mauricio, H. B. White, A. J. C. Rocha, Dr. Graca Ozeiro, P. V. Botelho, L. V. Ribeiro, J. S. Landolf, Prof. F. Gonzales, F. Laurel, Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Kharras, C. L. Rocha, J. W. Lee, T. Gascon, C. S. Castro, L. Castro, L. Machado, A. Angeles, A. T. Blas, A. E. Coates, F. Grace and Dr. E. L. Souza.

Wreaths were sent by the following: William Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Alves, P. V. and Miss M. R. de Botelho, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Castro, Chan Chew-kwong, Dr. and Mrs. F. S. Fernandes, Mr. and Mrs. Fields, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Idelfonso, A. G. de Jesus, Mrs. C. Leonard and family, J. W. Lee, Y. Y. Lam, W. C. Lee, W. T. Lee, G. C. Moxon, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Neryes, Mr. F. Ozeiro and family, Mr. and Mrs. Pomeroy, Mr. and Mrs. Ribeiro, Mr. and Mrs. Julio Ribeiro, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ribeiro, and family, Vicentin, Christina and Maria, Vicente Atienza and Company, Employees of Mayo's shop, and Craikengower Cricket Club.

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LORD RIDDELL PASSES

Lord Riddell, well-known newspaper proprietor, politician, author, and philanthropist, who had been ill for some weeks, died yesterday at the age of 69. British Wireless Service.

She paused a moment. Meeting strange young men, accepting flowers, and then prolonging the crime by dallying along the wayside with them; how her aunt would frown! But auntie, at the moment, was safely away in the Isle of Jersey. "Let's walk round London," suggested Elspeth, "do you know it well?"

"Yes, I've been here two years," "Show me some of its beauties, please."

"To your right, miss," he flourished a hand, guide-fashion, at Eros, "you will perceive what I consider one of the most exquisite and inspirational pieces of statuary in London."

She looked up at Eros: "Yes, so many people wax sentimental about him."

"Don't! you might spoil him for me, because I am one of the sentimentalists."

"Now where to?"

TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "Romance In Egypt," by J. B. Connie.

Kensington Gardens?

She agreed, and away they went. By the Round Pond were children sailing their boats, and in a glade the carpet of spring flowers.

Elspeth caught her breath sharply: "They look so fragile and lovely—their beauty hurts," she said softly.

"Do you feel that way, too?" he asked eagerly, as if beauty stings you somewhere—in the pit of your stomach?"

She nodded. While they had tea in a snug little shop in the Bayswater-road, he admired her hands.

"They're perfect," he said, watching her manipulate the tea things. "Please don't, I'll spill something," she laughed.

"Would you allow me to make a plaster cast of them?"

"So long as it will not be painful," again her will-o'-the-wisp dimple tantalised him.

"I have a commission to make a pair of marble hands for a jeweller's window. Crassly commercial, of course, but one must eat. I sculpt, you know. I've been studying here for some time."

Elspeth left him, after agreeing to call at his studio on the following day to have the cast made of her hands. On the way back to her flat in Queen Anne's Mansions she took stock. She had told this Paul Sutherland that her name was Elspeth Bolton—mainly because one does not give one's correct name to strangers. Also, she had inferred that she was a student in London, that she was studying music. Being naturally honest, she was a little ashamed of her deception, but she consoled herself with the thought that an impetuous student like Lee, A. E. S. Alves, A. F. Delgado, B. N. Xavier, E. Mauricio, H. B. White, A. J. C. Rocha, Dr. Graca Ozeiro, P. V. Botelho, L. V. Ribeiro, J. S. Landolf, Prof. F. Gonzales, F. Laurel, Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Kharras, C. L. Rocha, J. W. Lee, T. Gascon, C. S. Castro, L. Castro, L. Machado, A. Angeles, A. T. Blas, A. E. Coates, F. Grace and Dr. E. L. Souza.

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GREAT BRITAIN MAY HELP GUARD SAAR PLEBISCITE

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FRANCE'S POSITION

True, France had some interests to defend in the Saar. These interests had been defended by her negotiators. What remained to be done now was to be sure that order was maintained and the liberty to vote ensured. That was why he asked the Council to assume its own responsibility towards the maintenance of order.

To assume the German nation that they have no *arrière pensee*, France would not herself participate in the organisation of the international force.

Captain Eden said that the British Government had no greater desire than to promote friendly relations between the nations of the world, and particularly between the Powers of Western Europe. However great the goodwill of every State, the possibility of a certain amount of excitement and ebullition during the plebiscite could not be ignored. The Saar area had no regular armed force, relying entirely on its own police.

A PLAIN DUTY

There was a plain duty which rested upon the Council for the maintenance of order. It was no doubt true there were forces available for use in an emergency not very far away, but that, in the opinion of the British Government, would not be the best way to deal with the situation.

The right way was to see if it was possible now, with the authority of the Council and with the assent of France and Germany, to take steps which would prevent the possibility of such trouble arising. The way to do that would appear to be by means of the introduction into the Saar, on the responsibility of the Council as a whole, before the plebiscite took place, of an international force, which should not include troops of either of the parties concerned, for the purpose of keeping order.

His Majesty's Government attached the greatest importance to the view that prevention is better than cure.

BRITAIN'S OFFER

Captain Eden said that he desired

ENGLAND TO AUSTRALIA AIR MAIL SERVICE

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Special official letters of greeting will be handed by Lord Londonderry to Sir Kingsley Wood who will frank them with a special silver stamp and place them in the last mail bag, which will be immediately sealed. It will be accepted by Sir Eric Geddes, Chairman of Imperial Airways, on behalf of his company, and the associated companies of India, Trans-Continental Airways, and Qantas Empire Airways, which will jointly operate the service. The aircraft will leave Croydon on the long journey at 12.50 p.m.—British Wireless Service.

290,000 UNEMPLOYED IN POLAND

According to an official statement, the number of unemployed in Poland amounts to 290,672. Of the total 24,630 belong to Warsaw, 19,675 to Lodz, and 89,832 to Eastern Upper Silesia.

to make the position of His Majesty's Government perfectly clear. If the Council of the League decided as the result of the information laid before it that it is desirable for an international force to be stationed in the Saar for the purpose of maintaining order in connection with the forthcoming plebiscite, and if the United Kingdom were invited to co-operate in this matter, then provided other countries were prepared to make a contribution, and on condition that both France and Germany assented to this arrangement, Britain would also be prepared to supply a considerable proportion of such an international force.

Baron Aloisi, Italy's delegate, gave unqualified support to Captain Eden's proposal. Mr. Litvinoff, of Russia, and Dr. Benes of Czechoslovakia, each stated that they had no authority from their Governments, but were sure they would be entirely in accord with the proposal. It is understood that Germany has already agreed to the proposal, which, as shown above, has the full concurrence of France—British Wireless Service.

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Arrow Of Eros

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artist. The cost of a single pair of her silk stockings would keep him for a week. He talked freely because he imagined that she was in much the same position as himself, a student.

On many occasions she endeavoured to tell him the truth, but her courage always failed her at the last minute. Paul was so transparently honest himself that she feared he would resent her deception.

One afternoon they had travelled by bus out to Kew Gardens, and after they had feasted on the beauty of the bluebells, and while they were sitting on a wooden seat, he quoted from Alfred Noyes's poem:

"The nightingale is rather rare,
But still, they say, you'll hear him there."

Elsbeth chimed in:
"At Kew, at Kew in lilac time,
And, oh, so near London!"

They held hands entranced by the beauty of their surroundings and the words they had just uttered.

She had loosened her hold on her bag and it fell to the ground, its contents spilling out over the grass. Too late she saw the photograph of herself in her presentation gown that she had cut from an illustrated weekly some time before.

"Who is the lady?" he asked.
She passed it on him, her cheeks flaming.

"Beneath the picture was her real name."

He looked long at the photograph, and she saw his hand clenching till the knuckles showed white.

"Are you Elspeth Bolton, Andrew Bolton's daughter?" he asked tensely.

She could only nod, her throat seemed to have contracted so that she could not speak.

"You've been playing a game," the low despair of his voice was even worse than if he had bellowed at her. "But what has been a joke to you has been the most serious thing in my life."

He left her quickly, and though she called his name he did not turn, but hurried away out of sight.

Each day she waited, hoping for some sign from him, but none came.

At the end of a week Elspeth pocketed her pride, and went after him to his studio. The little green door on which she knocked brought back a flood of memories. If only he would open it and his lean, clever face light at the sight of her.

But instead the slovenly caretaker who shuffled to the door told her that Mr. Sutherland had gone away and had left no address.

Elsbeth walked away in the grip of icy desolation. Paul meant everything to her now; she thought of him every hour. Her old existence had no further attraction—dances, cocktail parties, shows, all were meaningless because he was gone.

The humming traffic and its crowded thoroughfares increased her loneliness and heartache. Useless to look for him amongst so many millions.

Her aunt returned from her sojourn in Jersey and found Elspeth listless and without interest in the things that had once engrossed her.

"You need a change, my child. We'll go over to Paris for a month or two."

But Elspeth implored her desperately to let her remain in London, though she asked herself why. She scarcely dared hope that they would meet again.

Because Eros had been their first meeting place, Elspeth found herself haunting Piccadilly Circus and

walking past the statue. She felt that it was ironical that the lilies of God of Love should be poised there as if aiming one of his shafts at her. The flower-sellers were offering roses now in place of the violets of early spring, and each day she carried a fragrant bunch back to her flat.

Then one afternoon she saw him there, contemplating the statue. He was without a hat, and he looked thin and weary. She was on the opposite side of the road, but without head she dashed into the moving traffic to reach him before he disappeared into the throng. She risked death more than once before she caught him.

He was stepping off the pavement as she came to his side and gripped him desperately by the arm.

"You!" he said, turning quickly. "Paul, you must listen to me, you must!"

He walked beside her, and they mounted the steps of the memorial, as if on this slight elevation they could talk in greater privacy.

"Why didn't you come to me or telephone me?" she asked.

"I did not wish to be made game of any longer."

"If I had been poor and pretended I was rich you'd only have laughed, Paul, wouldn't you?" She spoke with difficulty, for her lips trembled so.

"Probably," he replied. He had been staring hungrily at her, trying to assuage his longing for the sight of her.

"Well, was it so terribly wrong for me to try and escape from the oppression of wealth for a while?" He made no reply.

"I enjoyed it all so much, and it would have been perfect—except."

"What?" he asked quickly. "Except that I fell in love with you," she swayed slightly as she spoke, and he caught her in his arms. And there in crowded Piccadilly, with the world passing by at their feet, he kissed her.

The flower-sellers nudged each other and whispered; but Eros showed no sign, though once again his arrow had gone home.

THE END RADIO

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8.30-10 p.m.—European Recorded Programme from Z.E.K. on a frequency of 640 kilocycles.

8.30-9.03 p.m.—Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme—Suite for Orch. (R. Strauss) Op. 60—Walter Straram Orchestra of Paris.

1. Overture
2. Menuett; (b) Courante.
3. Entry and Dance of the Tailors
4. Prelude to Act II—Intermezzo.
5. The Dinner Music.

9.03-9.30 p.m.—Variety.
Songs—
In the little white Church on the Hill
A Broken Rosary
James Milton (Tenor)
Piano Solos—
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9.30 p.m.—Router Press Bulletins.
Features—Selection
The Open Road—A Hiking Medley
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Lionel (Mockton) Memories
(Lionel Mockton)
10 p.m.—Close Down.

DOCKYARD CLUB FUNCTION

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COMMODORE PRESENT

A very enjoyable evening was spent on Monday by the members and friends of the Royal Dockyard Recreation Club on the occasion of the annual distribution of prizes won in the various sections.

In connection with the distribution of prizes, a concert arranged by Mr. Bruce Wilson, was given in the Club Room, the resources of which were taxed to the uttermost. The artistes were: Mrs. G. W. Evans, Soprano, Messrs. W. J. T. Phelps & H. Annise, Tenors, W. H. Billing, Baritone, W. Gill, Elocutionist, G. H. Ash, Humourist Dick Barty, Entertainer, and H. N. Moran, Violinist.

Mr. A. W. Watson, Chief Constructor, and Chairman of the Club in asking Mrs. Frank Elliott to present the prizes referred to the many social engagements of the Commodore and Mrs. Elliott, and voiced the thanks of the members for their attendance.

The Commodore in a witty speech referred to the pressure under which everyone was working and stated that he was convinced the social activities of the Club were largely responsible for the spirit of co-operation which was so evident throughout the Establishment.

In addition to the Commodore and Mrs. Elliott there were present, Engineer Captain R. C. Huggill, Chief Engineer, Mr. H. Martin, Superintendent Electrical Engineer, and Mrs. Martin, Mr. J. F. Ardron, Superintending Civil Engineer, and Mrs. Ardron, Lieut. Commander A. B. Coventry, Torpedo Engineer Officer, and Mrs. Coventry, Mr. A. G. Potter, Naval Store Officer, and Rev. F. N. Chamberlain, Chaplain.

Mrs. Frank Elliott, gracefully presented the prize and was the recipient of a bouquet presented by Mrs. E. Newnam, the wife of the Vice-Chairman and the evening was brought to a close by hearty cheer for the Commodore and Mrs. Elliott and the organisers.

EUROPEAN STILL MISSING

S.P.C.A. Inspector

The whereabouts of Mr. F. E. Webb, an Inspector of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, who has been reported missing since 8 o'clock on Monday afternoon, is still a mystery.

The missing man had been staying for some time at the Airlie Hotel, but he left on Tuesday with the intention, it is supposed, of taking rooms elsewhere. Whether he did so or not is not definitely known, as he was not seen after 3 p.m. on that day.

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RAWALPINDI	17,000	9th Feb.	Bombay, Mers., Havre, London, Ham- burg, R'dam, Antwerp and Hull.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	23rd Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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*SOMALI	7,000 28th Dec.	S'hai, Kobe and Yokohama.
NALDERA	16,000 28th Dec.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama.
NELLORE	7,000 3rd Jan.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka, Yokohama.
SIRDHANA	8,000 10th Jan.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka.
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This crowd outside the Ritz Hotel, London, as Peter leaves with his grandmother, the Dowager Queen Marie of Roumania, for Paris, knew what he did not—that his father was dead and that he was King Peter II of Yugoslavia. He was not told of the tragedy which caused his sudden withdrawal from an English school, until he met his mother a few hours later.

Bullish Tone On Wall Street

(Continued from Page 6)

"Cotton: There was broader speculative interest and the Trade were good buyers.
"Rubber: The market was unchanged. Total sales—235 lots."—Reuter.

Market Factors

The following telegrams were received by Messrs. S. E. Levy and Co. from Reuter:—
The Canadian nickel production for September was 8,773,000 pounds compared with 10,846,000 pounds last year.

Following yesterday's 1 cent advance, the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey reduced its gasoline price by half a cent per gallon owing to the fact that small independents have raised the price only a half-cent.
Bell System reports an increase of 16,200 telephones in November compared with a gain of 5,300 last year, while the New York Telephone Co. reports a loss of 1,677 telephones as compared with a loss of 1,341 last year.

A message from Washington states that the \$30,000,000 Cotton barter deal with Germany is apparently nearing completion after an American official having been informed that the German Government approved of the transaction. Officials said that the deal, which is involving 500,000 or, possibly, 800,000 bales, is approved by the Export Import Bank, Agricultural Adjustment Administration and the Cotton Peel, and only the clearance at the State Department and the Treasury Department remains to be effected. Favourable ruling by the latter is expected in a few days.

Favourable factors:—(1) The pronounced strength appearing in all sections of the Bond market.
(2) The strength of Railroad shares, which penetrated October highs, is regarded as most encouraging and is bolstering Industrial shares, in which further selective buying is anticipated. (3) The large number of extra dividends is not only an indication of improvement in various companies, but, is creating an increased speculative demand. Unfavourable factor:—(1) The probability of a number of inflationary proposals at the next Congress Session is a continued source of hesitancy, although the market is confident of the ability of the Administration to side-track them.

President Roosevelt's remarks on crop control is likely to result in increased buying of cotton.
The daily average of Petroleum production is 2,373,000 barrels. The "Iron Age" estimate Steel production at 29.5 per cent. of capacity. The trend is still somewhat mixed, with trade opinion though still exceedingly conservative, is beginning to lean towards the view that an increasing recovery movement for May is getting under way. The weekly Electricity production was 1,684,000,000 k.w. hours, an increase of 8.4 per cent. on last year.

Wall Street was moderately active and narrow, but the trend was chiefly upward. Traders were cautious. However, the recent support for backward Railroad issues is construed as most constructive and there are indications of a major trend still upward and some slight extension of yesterday's rally seems indicated.

Steel activity in Chicago is at 34 per cent. of capacity. Heavy melting steel scrap at Pittsburgh has advanced 50 cents per ton.

Rubber is bullish. Restriction and consumption factors are materialising in trade buying. We think the market is preparing to move sharply higher.

E. A. Pierce Co.'s Report in their market report, the American Oriental Finance Corporation, correspondent for Messrs. E. A. Pierce and Company New York state:

"Stocks: The market was active and strong, with the opinion that business in general is fundamentally better than sentiment as a contributing factor to yesterday's strength. Railroads are hailed as a bullish technical development.
"Wheat: All grains are strong, especially Wheat, which was heavily bought against sales of corn. On reports that mills are buying wheat futures, there was a better trade feeling. Heavy profit-taking was well taken.

"Cotton: There was a firm undertone throughout the day and the belief is gaining that crop control will be continued, resulting in a narrowing discount from far months to nears. Buying was a little more general in character and, led by Europe, acts as if it will do better.
"Rubber: The market was again quiet and steady. Dealers were the principal sellers against actuals offered outside. The market is still lacking incentive and volume of trading was small."—Reuter.

LATEST QUOTATIONS

The following quotations have been received by Messrs. S. E. Levy and Co. and the A.O.F.C.

	Dec. 4.	Dec. 5.
Closing	Closing	Closing
New York Cotton:		
December	12.36	12.55
January	12.38	12.56
March	12.46	12.63
May	12.46	12.65
July	12.38	12.69
October (1935)	12.14	12.35
Spot	12.65	12.80

New York Rubber:		
December	12.99	13.02
January	13.03	13.09
March	13.22	13.34
May	13.50	13.52
July	13.69	13.70
September	13.89	13.90

Chicago Wheat:		
December	1.00	1.02%
May	1.00%	1.04
July	94%	97%

Chicago Corn:		
December	93%	95
May	91%	92%
July	88%	89%

Winnipeg Wheat:		
December	78%	80%
May	88%	86%
July	84	86%

New York Sugar:		
December	1.79	1.84
March	1.77	1.80
May	1.81	1.85
July	1.88	1.89

New York Silk:		
December	1.28%	1.28
March	1.30	1.29%
May	1.31	1.30%

Montreal Silver:		
December	55.20%	54.20%
March	55.05%	55.15%
May	55.75%	55.70%
July	56.95%	56.40%

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POLICE OFFICER'S DEATH

Told Cabaret Girl He "Was Fed Up"

INQUIRY REVELATIONS

An enquiry into the circumstances surrounding the death of Sergeant L. V. Baker, of the Hong Kong Police Force, who was found dead with a gunshot wound through his head on the evening of November 5 at the Central Police Station, was commenced yesterday afternoon at the Central Magistracy.

Mr. W. Schofield sat as Coroner, while the jury comprised of Messrs. R. V. Dodd (foreman), Shing Fan-lam and A. R. Tavares. In opening the enquiry, Mr. Schofield told the jury that there were three questions to be considered during the inquest, the actual cause of death, whether by the deceased himself or not; the condition of his mind at the time of his death; and whether any person was to be blamed for his action.

Dr. D. J. Valentine, Medical Officer of the Government Civil Hospital, was the first witness called to give evidence. He said that at about midnight on November 5, an ambulance brought in Sergeant Baker, and he pronounced life extinct. He gave instructions for the body to be removed to the Public Mortuary. He saw a wound on either side of deceased's head.

Dr. L. D. Pringle, Medical Officer of the Victoria Mortuary, then gave evidence. He told the Court that deceased's death was due to a gunshot wound through his head, and that the shot was fired from a distance of not more than six inches.

After further evidence, in which Miss Nellie Kui, a dancing instructor employed at the Majestic Dancing Academy testified, that deceased had once told her that he was fed up with life, the inquiry was adjourned until Monday, December 17.

DESTROYERS LEAVE FOR SINGAPORE

Mediterranean Flotilla Coming Here

The present 8th Destroyer Flotilla, comprising H. M. S. Keppel, Wishart, Verity, Wild Swan, Whitehall, Wren and Whitshed, left Hong Kong harbour for Singapore last night. They are replacing the 1st Destroyer Flotilla, which have come East from the Mediterranean.

H. M. S. Witch and H. M. S. Veteran, of the 8th Flotilla, are already at Singapore, where they will stay with the remainder of the complement until after the New Year, and then go on to the Mediterranean for duty, re-numbered the 1st Flotilla.

At Singapore a change over of crews takes place, the vessels of the former Mediterranean Flotilla coming on to the China Station under their new number.

These destroyers (the new 8th Flotilla) comprise H. M. ships Duncan (leader), Defender, Daring, Duchess, Decoy, Daring, De la Penne, Diana, and Diana. They will stop over at Manila from December 26 to January 1, before coming to Hong Kong.

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THE CHANGING LIFE OF RUSSIA

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With one "frown from above" all that would be swept away in a night. Last year's great famine and the cruel "class-war" drives are too near for safe prophecy; but unless there be some national catastrophe or renewed strife breaks out in high places, I do not think there will be official interference. Stalin is certainly aware that the delirious strain of the years 1929-33 could no longer be borne, and that the Russian people stand in dire need of relief, and are ripe and eager for pleasure.

The Fatherland
After all, it is only the fanatical few who will willingly lay down their lives for "Industrialisation," or committees with names barbarously truncated indicated by more initials. ZIK, ZK, ZKK. Fancy fighting and dying for BBC!

The official Press again launches the cult of "the Hero" and "Fatherland." They have not yet learned to do it well. Postichev, Stalin's youngest and toughest lieutenant, who has been given charge of Ukraine, tells a congress of Soviet editors, now meeting, that they ought to be ashamed to praise the Fatherland "in the trite language of circulars." What they must convey is the colour of her fame and glory. Said he:

"The German Fascists have their 'Wacht am Rhein,' with its halo of deep romanticism. It is their boast that the best people guard the Rhine. Every young German is proud to be entrusted with guarding that river frontier between Germany and France. But what I ask you, is the Rhine when compared with our Far East?"

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London, To-day.

Delegates representing newspapers in all parts of the British Empire will be present at the fifth Imperial Press Conference, which will open at Cape Town on February 5.

The delegates who will be the guests of the South African Press, assisted by the Union Government, will have opportunities of meeting representative South Africans, and for studying the conditions and potentialities of that country during a 38-day tour of the Union and Southern Rhodesia, for which the Union Government is lending two specially equipped trains. Victoria Falls will be the most northerly halting place of the tour.—British Wireless Service.

EMPEROR'S TENT AS SCRAP

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Iron-Work

The tent habitually used by the Emperor Francis Joseph during the autumn manoeuvres in Hungary has been sold as scrap iron for approximately ninety pounds.

The tent, in which the Emperor lived for weeks at a time, contained four rooms, and its iron framework weighed about two hundred weight.

After the downfall of the Dual Monarchy the tent was presented to the Boy Scouts by the Treasury, but as it was never used by the association, it was decided to sell it for its iron value. The Hungarian Press comment on the fact that the tent was not acquired for the war museum.

MUSIC UPHEAVAL IN GERMANY

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SEQUEL TO NAZI ACTION

Berlin, To-day.

Dr. Wilhelm Furtwangler's resignation yesterday from the office of Vice-President of the Chamber of Music and Conductors of the Philharmonic Orchestra and State Opera, following differences of opinion with the Nazi authorities regarding the value of Jewish compositions, has had a further repercussion.

At Munich, Professor Knappertz, conductor of the Munich Opera, has resigned in sympathy with Dr. Furtwangler and Dr. Kiehl, though his resignation has not yet been accepted.

It is also rumoured that the famous composer, Richard Strauss, has resigned the presidency of the Chamber of Music.—Reuter.

MARSEILLES MURDER ECHO

London, To-day.

The Yugoslav memorandum to the League of Nations Council on the alleged Hungarian connection with the Marseilles crime in which King Alexander, M. Louis Barthou, and four others met their deaths, was placed before the Council Meeting at Geneva yesterday, and it was decided to place it on the agenda for the present session.—British Wireless Service.

TELEGRAPH MERGER NOT SUPPORTED

New York, To-day. — Western Union officials are not interested in the proposed telegraph merger, although they will not make any operation. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

SHANGHAI BEGGING CORPS BUSY

Plea To Traders To Bar
"Enemy" Goods

The "National Soul Kneeling and Begging Corps" is in action again in Shanghai. Members of the Corps are kneeling and begging every day at various Chinese shops, asking them not to sell any more foreign goods.

When information was received that the Ya Dah Hsiang Cloth Shop, at the Small East Gate, Nantao, was selling "enemy" goods, the corps called at the address and knelt and begged at the front of the shop.

A letter was presented to the shop, requesting it to seal up the "enemy" goods.

COLLEGE STUDENTS ON STRIKE

Want Reorganisation Of
Directors' Board

It is reported from Tainan that 300 students of the Arts and Science College of Cheloo University have gone on strike in the attempt to enforce their demand for the complete reorganisation of the board of directors of the college.

HOLLYWOOD DIVORCE

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"HURTFUL THINGS"

Miss Harlow denied recent rumours of a romance between herself and William Powell declaring: "They are only part of a long series of false and hurtful things published about me."

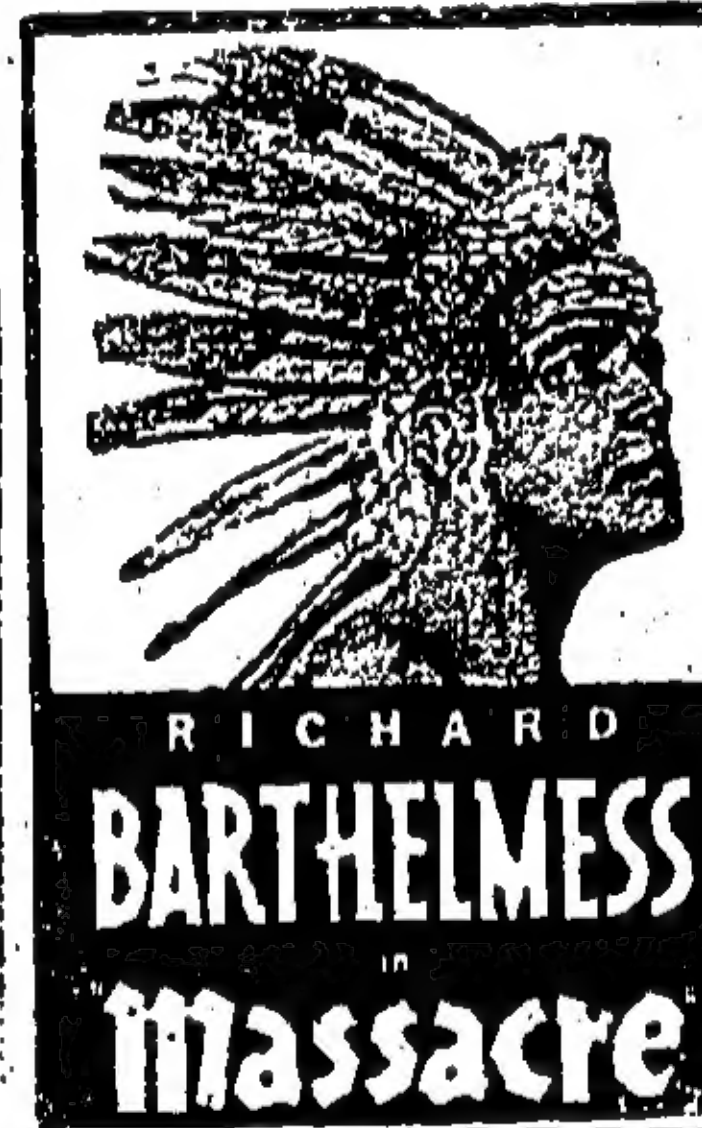
"Like every normal woman," Miss Harlow added, "I want to have children and I long for a home. I shall probably adopt a baby."

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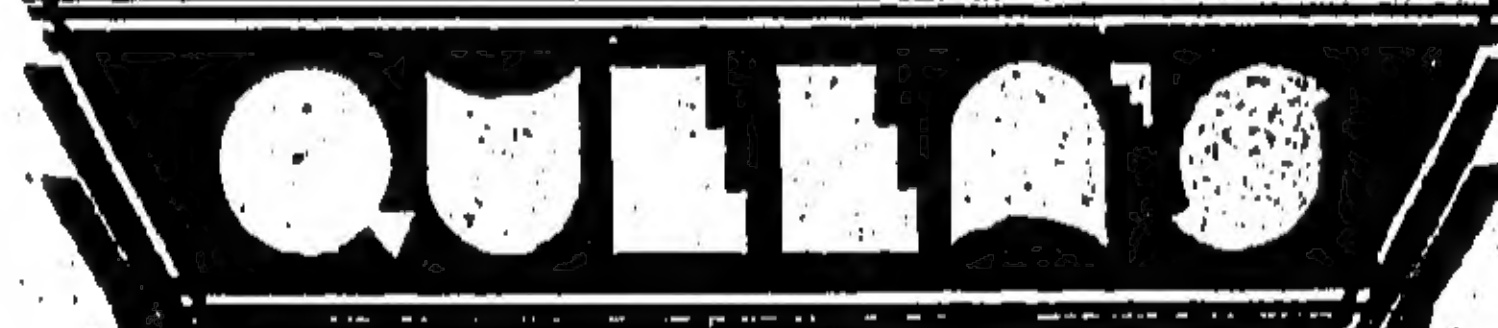
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